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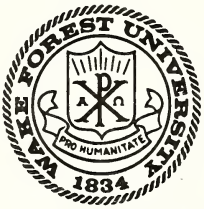

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MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH,

SAMPSON COUNTY, N. C.,

OCTOBER 8, 9, 10, 1901.

FOR NEXT SESSION.

Place of Meeting,	Hallsville, Duplin County.
Time,	Tuesday after First Sunday in October, 1902.
Introductory Sermon,	J. M. Alderman.
Missionary Sermon,	A. L. Betts.

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Ministers Present this Session—J. L. Stewart, N. B. Cobb, O. P. Meeks, C. S. Blackwell, M. C. Walton, N. A. Shelley, R. C. Sandlin, J. D. Larkins, L. B. Boney, A. L. Betts, R. H. Herring, C. F. Hopper, Livingston Johnson, R. T. Vann, J. M. Alderman, W. N. Johnson, S. F. Conrad, J. B. Newton.

Church Covenant.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels, and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into convenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances, to walk circumspectly in the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all talking, tesy in speech; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliating drinks as a beverage; and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the Kingdom of our Saviour. We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness, or distress, to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speach; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of these rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible unite with some other Church where we can carry out the Spirit of this Covenant and principles of God's Word.

Constitution.

Article 1. This Association shall be denominated and known as the Eastern Association.

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men; and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Article 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of Churches of this body, and three delegates from each Church, chosen from her membership, assembled in Conference.

Article 4. The delegates from each Church shall bear a letter certifying their apointment and communicating information relative to the State of the Church.

Provided however, that when any Church has prepared a letter and through inadvertance the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Article 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members, by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Article 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enfore an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint Committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on any question under discussion after others have spoken, and giving the casting vote in case of a tie.

Article 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session, and superintend their printing and distribution among the Churches.

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the Churches, or collected during the session of this body, and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the Treasury.

Article 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the Mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the Sessions of this body, take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions shall be the first business of second day of the session. Further, that our Missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee in order that said Committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Article 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the Churches which neglect to observe Gospel order.

Article 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, and extend to them the privilege of the body except that of voting.

Article 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Article 13. By appointment of the Association, there shall be an Introductory Sermon of a denominational character, and a Missionary Sermon.

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Rules of Order.

1. On the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a Chairman pro-tem shall be elected.
2. Each Session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called, and the proceedings of the previous daily session read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which becomes Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer. He shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer, before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time; which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without the permission of the Association, and if any shall do so, their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The Rules of Order may be altered and amended at any session of the Association by a Majority vote.

Order of Business.

1. Calling the roll of Churches and enrolling Delegates.
2. Election of Officers.
3. Calling of Petitionary Letters.
4. Appointment of Committees.
5. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
6. Reports of Standing Committees.
7. Reports of Other Committees.
8. Report of Treasurer.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Incidental and routine motions shall be in order at any time.
11. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

MT. GILEAD, N. C., October 8, 1901.

The Eastern Association met this day in its Fifty-eighth Annual Session with the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, at 11 a. m. Tuesday, October 8, 1901. Dr. N. B. Cobb preached the Introductory Sermon, text, Judges 7:18, after which a recess was taken for one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator at 1:30 proceeded to read Romans 12. W. N. Johnson led in prayer. The Association was now called to order by the Moderator.

On motion, Moderator appointed a Finance Committee consisting of Brethren D. J. Corbett, A. F. Robinson and H. G. Owen. L. R. Highsmith and C. E. Daniel, as Reading Clerks. The roll of churches was then called and the delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—By letter.
**Barlow Chapel*—By letter.
Bethel—M. H. Oates, N. F. Register.
Beulah—W. J. Moore, W. J. Waters, Jasper McCullan.
Boykin's Chapel—W. W. Hobbs, J. A. Williamson, H. Boykin.
**Berea*—D. H. Murry.
Bowden's—By letter.
Bear Branch—By letter.
Bear Marsh—W. H. Brown, Charlie Byrd.
**Bethlehem*—By letter.
**Burgaw*—J. D. Hocut.
**Brooklyn*—J. C. Gore.
Clinton—B. S. Peterson, D. T. Herring.
Concord—J. H. Alderman, D. D. Wells, W. A. Moore.
Corinth—I. D. Johnson, D. W. Fussell.
Colvin Creek—J. P. Lewis, P. Woodcock, A. D. Howard.
**Caintuck Chapel*—D. J. Corbett, Sr.
**Caswell*—A. R. Brooks, W. Glison, John Moore.
Catherine Lake—N. A. Shelly.
Castle Haynes—
Cedar Grove—
Dobson's Chapel—W. H. Murry, O. D. Bostic, J. M. Dobson.

Ebenezer—J. A. McLemore, L. J. Rich, J. R. Highsmith.
**Emma's Chapel*—F. B. Shaw.
Hallsville—D. W. Burton, S. S. Bostic.
**Haw Bluff*—N. R. Croom.
Island Creek—J. H. Evans, Stuart Wells, Frank Brice.
Ivanhoe—H. W. Moore, J. A. White, B. C. Malpass.
Johnson's—J. A. Powell, J. Carlton, L. Middleton.
Jacksonville—C. J. John, W. P. Kelly.
Kenansville—W. H. Cornegay, H. Dale, L. A. Beasley.
**Long Creek*—G. A. Herring, L. D. Cherry.
Lisbon—J. C. Robinson, D. L. Herring.
Mt. Zion—F. F. Newton, Leon Devane.
Maple Hill—By letter.
Mary's Chapel—By letter.
**Masonboro*—R. H. Hulett, Addison Hulett.
**Moore's Creek*—D. J. Johnson.
Mt. Gilead—A. C. Peterson, D. T. Peterson, B. Matthews.
Mt. Olive—O. Sumerlin, W. B. Hood.
Mt. Holly—Isaiah Carroll.
Magnolia—J. W. Swinson, C. W. Hollingsworth, Jethro Johnson.
New Hope—C. E. Daniel, L. C. Carlton, John Best.
Olive Branch—By letter.
**Olivet*—F. C. McAlister, T. C. Shepard.
Piney Grove—S. H. Hare.
Poplar Grove—L. D. Rogers.
Providence—By letter.
Rose Hill—Pinkney Rich, George A. Rogers.
**Riley's Creek*—By letter.
Sharon—
Siloam—W. P. Ward, W. L. Johnson.
Shiloh—
Springvale—J. M. Marshburn, A. F. Robinson, A. J. Matthis.
**South Side*—R. H. Herring.
**Salem*—By letter.
Teacheys—A. E. Croom.
**Tar Landing*—D. N. Page.
Warsaw—H. G. Owen.
Well's Chapel—L. R. Highsmith, J. W. Lee.
**Wilmington*—Dr. C. S. Blackwell.
**Willard*—E. F. Inglish, H. Wells.

By motion, the letter from Hallsville was laid on the table.

The following churches petitioned for letters of dismission to unite in forming a new Association, which, on motion, was granted: Barlow Chapel, Berea, Bethlehem, Burgaw, Brooklyn, Caintuck Chapel,

Caswell, Emma's Chapel, Haw Bluff, Long Creek, Masonboro, Moore's Creek, Olivet, Tar Landing, Riley's Creek, South Side, Salem, Wilmington, Willard.

The election of officers being in order, the Moderator appointed as tellers to take the ballots for Moderator, L. Middleton and W. H. Middleton; for Clerk, G. W. Carroll and James Britt; for Treasurer, B. S. Peterson and W. W. Hobbs.

It was found that J. L. Stuart was elected Moderator, A. R. Herring Clerk, W. H. Middleton Treasurer.

On motion, J. D. Larkins, the Moderator, was directed to appoint the usual committees. The following committees were appointed:

State Missions—N. B. Cobb, B. S. Peterson, Maury Ward.

Home Missions—R. H. Herring, G. A. Herring, G. W. Carroll.

Foreign Missions—C. S. Blackwell, O. Sumerlin, D. D. Wells.

Orphanage—J. D. Larkins, J. D. Hocut, W. A. Moore.

Ministerial Education—O. P. Meeks, L. D. Cherry, I. D. Johnson.

Ministerial Relief—L. B. Boney, T. J. Jarmon, Isaiah Carroll.

Periodicals—A. L. Betts, L. Middleton, F. F. Newton.

Sunday Schools, with Sun Beams added—J. M. Alderman, J. H. Evans, F. C. Shepard.

On Woman's Work—M. C. Walton, H. G. Owen, J. C. Gore.

Denominational Institutions—J. W. Cobb, O. P. Meeks, L. R. Highsmith.

Young People's Union—W. N. Johnson, to add the other members.

To Nominate an Executive Committee—J. A. Powell, M. H. Oates, W. J. Fryar.

The following visiting brethren were welcomed by the Moderator: S. F. Conrad, in the interest of the *North Carolina Baptist;* A. Johnson, for the Orphanage; J. W. Cobb, for *Biblical Recorder;* D. W. Herring, Missionary to China; W. N. Johnson, O. Blackburn, South River Association; R. Honeycutt, messenger from South River Association.

On motion, the Moderator appointed D. N. Page, N. F. Register and Pinkney Rich a committee to nominate preachers for the next session.

Moderator appointed committee on Devotional Exercises, to consist of Pastor and Deacons of this church, with other two brethren, to be added.

By B. S. Peterson, motion to adjourn till 9:30 Wednesday morning.

Committee make partial report. Devotional exercises 9:30 a. m. Wednesday morning, to be conducted by M. C. Walton. Benediction by O. P. Meeks. The Association adjourned.

WEDNESDAY—Morning Session.

October, 9, 1901.

Devotional exercises were conducted by M. C. Walton.

At 10 a. m., the Moderator called the Association to order. Roll of delegates called. The minutes of the first day's session was read and approved. Letters from churches not represented the first day were read and the delegates enrolled. Moderator extended welcome to Rev. L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary, in appropriate remarks.

Special order, reports of Executive Committee and report on State Mission called by Moderator, whereupon L. Middleton submitted and read the report of the Executive Committee, and N. B. Cobb read the report on State Missions.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

During the year we have added brethren N. A. Shelly, J. H. Hildreth and J. J. Payseur of Brooklyn Baptist Church, Wilmington, N. C. These brethren report good work done on their respective fields of labor. They have baptized 76 since their last annual report. Brother Shelly is building a new house of worship at Antioch in Duplin county, a thickly settled and growing community with but few Baptists. A very important field to occupy, with no Baptist Church nearer than 12 miles. We ask the Association to pay over to our Missionaries the amounts due them out of funds sent up for State Missions and balance be forwarded to State Treasurer at Raleigh.

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. CARLTON, Chairman Com.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Although North Carolina contains one seventeenth of the Baptist Church members of the whole world and one fourteenth of all the Baptists of the United States the time will probably never come when we will not have destitution enough among us to require constant enlargement of our State Mission Work to meet the growing necessities of our own people.

1st. Because religious teachings as well as secular educations must provide for each generation as it comes upon the stage of action, or the State will relapse into infidelity and barbarism. Religion and learning are commodities that cannot be handed down by inheritance, it is plain that each generation must provide for the wants of our times. Our most alarming destitution of Baptist preachers to day is in that section where we had our strongest ministry 100 years ago. There are now three whole counties in eastern North Carolina without a single resident Baptist preacher, and in the same section are ten other Counties with only one Baptist preacher to a County. To put two preachers only, in each of the 13 counties would require $4,800, provided each preacher collected $100 on his field, and they could support themselves and their families and keep a horse on $400 a year. Then in Central North Carolina, factory towns, with ever increasing and ever changing populations are springing up every month and thus forming new centres of influence to provide with preaching—an additional appropriation. For this work we might judiciously spend $5,000 if the churches would furnish it. In our own Association, in Sampson and Duplin Counties as well as in the much talked of Mission field in Onslow these are several impor-

tant fields that ought to be aided by the Associational and State Mission Boards. At Kerr on the Atlantic and Yadkin R. R., we have a weak Church without a house of worship. At Faison's, on the W. & W. R. R., we have neither preacher nor Church, and at Taylor's Bridge, another place we need to have some regular preaching by some of our best qualified ministers.

N. B. COBB,
B. S. PETERSON.

Pending the adoption of the reports, Brethren N. B. Cobb, L. Johnson and N. A. Shelly addressed the Association.

On motion, of J. D. Larkins, a cash collection was taken for State Missions. Amount of collection $16.08, which amount was paid to Secretary L. Johnson.

The reports were then adopted.

Bro. N. B. Cobb moved that the Clerk of this Association be instructed to write letters of dismission to the several churches of this body who have sent up requests for such, with a view of uniting with a new Association to be organized at Burgaw on Thursday before the third Sunday in November next. Adopted.

Motion by A. L. Betts that the Association do not adjourn to hear Missionary Sermon. The motion prevailed. The Missionary Sermon, by order, was postponed.

Report on Baptist Orphanage submitted and read by J. D. Larkins.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage located at Thomasville is the dearest object and the most dependent child of the Baptists of North Carolina. Because amid appeals, tears and prayers it has grown into an institution where two hundred and ten children are being cared for and trained for the greatest usefulness in life. And yet many others are begging entrance, and as the grave never says enough, the Baptists can't say enough till all the orphans in our midst are being cared for and trained. Through economy 1 child is kept there for $4.38. per month, and still with the best economy it takes $250 per week to run the whole Institution. Then that's not much when you remember that this is a plant which cost us $50,000. With the Mills' Machine Shop, a monument to his memory, built not for show, but for the development of the orphan children of North Carolina, and the farm on which a fairly good crop of corn and wheat has been raised, they are trying to aid us. Yet if they were able to maintain themselves, who of us could afford to lose the blessings of God that we receive by giving to His children. In order to get the children of the Sunday Schols in touch with the children at the Orphanage, three hundred Sunday Schools have adopted the plan of making monthly contributions to it. As giving is a Christian grace why not every Sunday School in the State adopt this plan and train the children as well as do a great work for God.

Brethren lets work and pray and plan till five hundred orphans more, are receiving the blessed privileges and opportunities offered by the Baptist Orphanage. May this work go on growing and progressing till the Master comes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. LARKINS,
W. A. MOORE,
J. D. HOCUTT,
Committee.

The report was spoken to by A. Johnson and C. S. Blackwell. The report was then adopted. The Association then adjourned for one hour after singing and Benediction by A. L. Betts.

AFTERNOON SESSION—Wednesday, Second Day.

The Association reassembled, Moderator in the chair. J. B. Newton, from the Neuse, reported himself and was welcomed by Moderator.

The report on Denominational Institutions was submitted and read by O. P. Meeks. The report was amended by C. S. Blackwell.

REPORT ON DENOMINATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AS AMENDED.

Your Committee beg leave to emphasize the duty of Baptists to support and patronize our own Baptist Educational Institutions. The Eastern Association for many years has owned a good property and location at Warsaw which ought either to be disposed of altogether or receive a more hearty support. The Trustees of this High School have recently reopened and are making strenuous efforts to build it up.

Wake Forest College already becoming in fact a University in its added Law and contemplated Medical Department stands second to no Institution in the South in point of thoroughness and efficiency. 225 students are enrolled the present term, and we believe this college will continue to increase its hold upon the prayers and patronage of the Baptists of N. C.

The Baptist Female University at Raleigh with its splendid location and buildings, its enrollment of 238 young ladies and its most efficient faculty and facilities for all the branches, Music and Art suitable for higher female education, offers great inducement and opportunity for the education of our daughters. We call special attention of this body to the educational fund which the brethren of our State have undertaken to raise to pay off the debt upon this College and to render needed aid to others. This Association through the State Central Committee is expected to endeavor to raise $2500 of the proposed $100,000 and this amount has been apportioned among the Churches of our body. We trust that each Church will take this matter in hand at once and lay plans to reach the amount proposed.

AMENDMENT.

That we as representatives of the Churches will heartily urge our Churches to accept the apportionments assigned to us and will honestly endeavor to raise the Amount in our respectives churches.

O. P. MEEKS,
L. R. HIGHSMITH,
J. W. COBB,
Committee.

The report was spoken to by O. P. Meeks and R. T. Vann, after which the report as amended, was adopted.

Final leave of absence granted W. H. Murry.

Report of Trustees of Warsaw High School was submitted and read by A. L. Betts.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

We the trustees of the Warsaw High School beg leave to make the following report to the Eastern Association.

1st. That we were appointed by the Association at October Session, 1900,

and held our first regular meeting December 3rd, 1900, and organized by electing S. M. Carlton, Chairman, Dr. W. P. Kennedy, Sec'y and S. A. Strickland Treasurer.

We found that the former Board had rented the building for a period of two years ending Jan'y 1st, 1901, to others than Baptists, and no denominational school had been run for some length of time.

2nd. We found condition of the building as follows: Many of the lights out, most of the blinds gone and rooms in bad condition generally, but school furniture was good. The present needs of the building is now blinds, painting and better fencing and better out houses for convenience of pupils.

3rd. Efforts were at once instituted to secure services of a Principal, with the result that Rev. E. C. Bobbitt accepted the school, on his own responsibilities and employed Miss Julia A. Jones as teacher for the primary department and Miss Carrie Hussey as a music teacher. School began first Monday in September and to date 53 pupils are enrolled and we believe that efficient and thorough work is being done.

4th. We now own in trust the following property: Lot on which school building is located, about 1 1-4 acres, vacant lot opposite, about 3 acres, all of which has fair fencing, and vacant lot rented at $25 for present year. We estimate the value of property at about $1200 and in this connection will say that the present building was donated by citizens and friends of the School in and around Warsaw, with the exception of about $100, and to pay the same the Trustees sold one acre of land to I. Brown, proceeds going to finish building and furnishing same. We consider building worth about $600.

5th. We also need a suitable building for the principal to enable him to run the boarding department in connection with the School. This much is a necessity if we ever expect other than a local school. No Prinicpal has run boarding department in connection with the school since the Messrs. Kennedy quit it in 1887.

6th. The School is the property of the Eastern Association and without the patronage, co-operation and sympathy of the Association we can never hope to build up this School as an Association School, and we think that the needs of the Baptists of this Association demands this patronage, co-operation and sympathy.

7th. We have tried in vain to secure the minutes and acts of Trustees from the year 1854 to the present, but can find none, and we refer you to members of former boards, many of whom are present, for such information and facts as you may need, and necessary explanations.

Respectfully,

S. M. CARLTON Chairman.,

W. P. KENNEDY, Secretary.

Brethren A. L. Betts, C. S. Blackwell, E. C. Bobbit, J. B. Newton, J. C. Gore, J. A. Powell, O. P. Meeks, James Britt spoke to the report.

By A. L. Betts, motion that the further consideration of this report be made special order for Thursday morning after the routine business has been disposed of. It was so ordered.

Committee on Devotional Exercises report prayer service to-morrow morning at 9:30 by A. L. Betts; preaching at the stand 11 a. m. by M. C. Walton.

On motion it was ordered that the Missionary Sermon be preached in this house at 11 a. m. to-morrow by C. S. Blackwell.

Report on Woman's Work was submitted and read by M. C. Wal-

ton. Report as read was adopted. The report will be found in report on Foreign Missions.

The committee to nominate preacher for next session was handed in and on motion, the same was recommitted.

By A. L. Betts, moved that this Association instruct and urge that each church appoint a committee of one to meet with the Trustees at our next Union at Siloam, in December, at which time they, with the Trustees, shall be empowered to make some disposition of Warsaw High School property, or set on foot some plan by which the school may be developed. Adopted.

Report to nominate an Executive Committee, on motion, was recommitted.

The Association then adjourned till 9:30 Thursday morning.

Benediction by M. C. Walton.

THURSDAY—Morning Session.

October 10, 1901.

Thursday at 9:30 A. L. Betts conducted devotional exercises, after which the Moderator called the Association to order.

On motion of L. R. Highsmith, roll call and reading the minutes of previous day was dispensed with.

Moderator called special order of report of Trustees. The report was read by A. L. Betts. The report was further discussed by O. P. Meeks, C. E. Daniel, L. D. Cherry, D. S. Kennedy, J. B. Newton, N. B. Cobb, J. M. Alderman.

Motion by A. L. Betts that this Association instruct the Trustees of Warsaw High School property to give a deed to the Trustees of Warsaw Baptist Church for the lot upon which the Warsaw Baptist church stands. This motion was adopted.

The report of the Trustees was then adopted.

Report on Ministerial Education submitted and read by O. P. Meeks.

On motion, a committee to audit Treasurer's report was appointed, consisting of D. S. Kennedy, J. C. Gore, W. L. Johnson.

Special order, the Missionary Sermon by C. S. Blackwell. Upon information that Dr. Blackwell had gone home, the Association proceeded with the business of the body.

Brethren N. B. Cobb, O. P. Meeks and J. B. Newton spoke to the report on Education, after which the report was adopted.

Report on Ministerial Education is not in the hands of the Clerk.

Report on Ministerial Relief was read by L. B. Boney.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We are glad to report progress in this department of the Lord's work. Last year the churches contributed $21.00 to this object, which amount was judiciously distributed among the 23 beneficiaries now aided by our Board. We are informed by the Secretary of the Board that many faithful servants of Jesus in the State are sadly neglected. We recommend that each Church appoint one active member to look after this worthy object, and at least two offerings a year to be made to the same.

Respectfully submitted,
L. B. BONEY,
ISAIAH CARROLL,
T. J. JARMAN,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

On the coming in of the Treasurer's report, the Auditing Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

W. H. Middleton in account with the Eastern Association for 1900:

To Amount Received of Finance Committee.

State Missions	$ 180 73
Home Missions	79 70
Foreign Missions	67 62
Ministerial Education	38 41
Ministerial Relief	46 79
Orphanage	68 92
Gospel Missions	10 32
Sunday Schools	2 76
Baptist Female University	52
Minute Fund	45 08
From Ex-Treasurer	3 34
Total	$544 19

Disbursements as follows:

State Missions	$ 180 73
Home Missions	79 70
Foreign Missions	67 62
Ministerial Education	38 41
Ministerial Relief	46 79
Orphanage	68 92
Gospel Missions	10 32
Sunday Schools	2 76
Baptist Female University	52
Minute Fund	45 08
Treasurer's expenses, postage, &c.	2 00
Money on hand	1 34
	$ 544 19

We the Committee to audit the Treasurer's account have done so and find it correct.

J. C. GORE,
D. S. KENNEDY,
W. L. JOHNSON,
Committee.

The reports were adopted.

Committee to nominate preacher report:

Introductory Sermon—J. M. Alderman.
Missionary Sermon—A. L. Betts.

Report adopted.

Committee to nominate an Executive Committee report:

For Executive Committee of the Eastern Association—W. H. Murray, L. Middleton, C. E. Daniel, S. M. Carlton, B. Matthews.

M. H. OATES, for Committee.

Report adopted.

A. L. Betts submitted and read report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It has been ascertained from careful investigation that less than one fourth of the membership of the Churches of the Eastern Association do not take or read any of our denominational papers. So long as this remains true we can not hope for that denominational intelligence, co-operation, and sympathy which is absolutely necessary for our religious and denominational growth. Therefore, we do recommend and urge that our people take and read the Biblical Recorder, North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field, and literature published by Southern Baptist Publishing Society. A reading people will make a reading and willing people.

Respectfully submitted,
A. L. BETTS,
L. MIDDLETON,
F. F. NEWTON,
Committee.

The report was spoken to by A. L. Betts, N. B. Cobb and J. B. Newton. Report adopted.

J. D. Larkins presented and read the report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The command of the great King still rings in our ears: "Go ye into all the World and preach the gospel to every creature." It should stir our hearts like battle cry and open the pockets of every child of God. The vast fields of the papal and pagan world are about ripe for the harvest. Every door to the heathen homes stand wide open. Equipped and consecrated men and women stand ready to enter in. But the majority of our members sleep in Zion, while at every heart beat an unsaved heathen souls drops into eternity without ever having heard the gospel of eternal life in Christ. It is a sad confession that only 1 member in 10 in our Churches gives a cent to preach the gospel of life to one thousand million lost souls. One Foreign Misssion giver out of ten in our churches.

Where are the nine? To awake these from the Spiritual slumber is the first duty of every pastor in the Eastern Association. We must give the gospel to save others or die ourselves. For to give is to live and to deny is to die. God has permitted Baptist Missionaries in the past year to baptize 11,865 heathen converts. This is a token that God still stands ready to give us many souls for our little selves. Will we withhold it or give it for the Master's use.

C. S. BLACKWELL,
D. D. WELLS,
O. SUMMERLIN,

The report was spoken to by J. D. Larkins, O. P. Meeks, J. B. Newton and A. L. Betts, after which it was adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The Woman's Missionary Society of North Carolina is a part of the Mission Work of the Southern Baptist Convention and has its head quarters at Raleigh, N. C., under the leadership of Miss Fannie E. Heck. From the very first this Society has been doing a great work in all departments of our Mission work. Their work is not confined to the raising of money for Missions, but to Education as well. In the years 1899 and 1900, three hundred and fifty three Societies had reported as giving to Home, State and Foreign Missions $3,710.84, making a total contribution since the organization in '86, more than $63,000. While reporting their work we desire to ask that this branch of church activity receive the cordial support of the Ministers and Churches of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,
M. C. WALTON For Committee.

The report was adopted.

J. D. Larkins read the report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We your Committee know of no better report to make than to submit the same one as last year and to add that Home Mission contributions are woefully small from the most of our Churches and again urge that the great work begin its proper place and support in all our Churches. The mantle of the late lamented Dr. Kerfoot has fallen on our own beloved F. C. McConnell as Secretary. Let us hold up his hands.

R. H. HERRING,
G. A. HERRING,
G. W. CARROLL,
Committee.

By request, W. N. Johnson spoke to the report. The report was then adopted.

Pledges were then taken for State, Home and Foreign Missions, Ministerial Education, the Orphanage, Ministerial Relief and Gospel Mission, which will appear in table.

J. M. Alderman submitted and read the report on Sunday Schools.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In North Carolina there are about 1650 Baptist Churches, and only about 900 Sunday Schools. Baptists out-number any other denomination in the South, yet several smaller denominations are doing as well if not better than we in Sunday School work. We cannot hope to hold our own at this rate. As a people we have only one Book—the Bible. We should teach it to our children. We are proud of our Sunday School publications at Nashville and Philadelphia. There is no excuse for us in not using more of the Sunday School literature.

Your Committee would recommend the following three things: 1st, That we use the Conventional Series published at Nashville, purchased at the Book Store, Raleigh, N. C. 2nd, That our churches take one collection a year for the support of our Sunday School work. 3rd, That all our Sunday Schools give one collection a month to the support of our Thomasville Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. ALDERMAN,
J. H. EVANS.

The report was adopted.

Report on Young People's Union was read by N. R. Johnson.

REPORT OF BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

Many Baptist Churches encourage this organization and its work which is Auxiliary to the work of the Individual Church. More attention should be paid to the development of the Young Christians in our Association, especially in our town and city churches. We need to build up a social life, pure Christian and strong in the Congregation. We should use that social tendency so characteristic of young life, to draw the young to us, and we should foster it in such condition as will make it elevate instead of dissipate, the health, thought and life of our youth.

All of us are aware that we need more careful and devotional study of the Bible. The study should be more connected. We must have more study in Missions among our young.

The Baptist Union published in Chicago, 324 Dearborn Street, is the organ of the movement. It gives each week a Devotional Reading, Conquest Missionary Course and Christian Culture comes for the benefit of the Baptist young people Union Workers.

W. N. JOHNSON,
N. A. SHELLY.

The report as read, was adopted.

On motion, Moderator appointed a committee to nominate delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions. Committee: N. B. Cobb, J. D. Larkins, W. J. Fryar, O. Sumerlin, D. S. Kennedy. The committee recommend as delegates to State Convention, N. B. Cobb, J. D. Larkins and A. L. Betts. To Southern Baptist Convention, J. L. Stewart. The report was adopted.

On motion of W. H. Middleton, the Association elected Hallsville as the place for holding the next session of this Association.

On motion of D. S. Kennedy, the Moderator appointed a committee on Obituaries. Committee: J. D. Larkins, D. S. Kennedy, C. E. Daniel.

Report of Finance Committee was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report that the following amounts were sent with the Church Letters to this session and came into the hands of the Committee.

State Missions	$ 219 47
Gospel Mission	12 05
Home Missions	73 74
Foreign Missions	91 29
Minister's Relief	58 18
Orphanage	92 69
Ministerial Education	50 54
Other Objects	20
Minute Fund	36 18
Baptist Female University	18 78
	$653 03

D. J. CORBETT,
A. F. ROBINSON,
H. G. OWEN,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay all monies he received from the Finance Committee as indicated in said Finance Committee's report. It was so ordered.

It was moved and carried that the Clerk have the usual number of copies of Minutes published, and to distribute the same among the churches, and that he be allowed $20.00 for his services.

There being a shortage in the Minute Fund, the Association undertook to raise the deficit, $7.56 being raised and paid to the Treasurer.

On motion of D. S. Kennedy, the Treasurer was allowed the balance of money in his hands unappropriated for his expenses in postage, etc.

The report on Obituaries was read by J. D. Larkins.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Whereas, in the death of Rev. J. L. Britt the Baptists of the Eastern Association have lost one of its most loyal and efficient workers; Therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family the deepest sympathies of this Association. And that in our hearts his family shall hold a tender and prayerful place. God bless his family.

J. D. LARKINS,
D. S. KENNEDY,
C. E. DANIEL.

Motion by J. M. Alderman: I move the appointment of a committee to locate an Associational School if Warsaw is not the place, and that committee to report at our next Union. Committee, C. E. Daniel, A. L. Betts and N. B. Cobb. Adopted.

Resolution of Thanks by N. B. Cobb:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby tendered to the brethren and sisters of Mt. Gilead Church and the citizens of the community for their cordial and generous hospitality to the delegates and visitors and to our Moderator for the wisdom and urbanity with which he has uniformly presided, and to the pastor and deacons as well as the Committee on hospitality for their admirable arrangement for the comfort and convenience of the visitors.

The business of the session finished, the Moderator asked N. B. Cobb to take charge of the closing exercises. The congregation engaged in singing "Blest be the tie that binds," etc., Bro. J. L. Boykin led in prayer, Dr. Cobb pronounced the Benediction, after which the 58th session of the Eastern Association adjourned to meet with the Baptist Church at Hallsville on Tuesday after the first Lord's day in October, 1902.

J. L. STEWART, *Moderator.*
A. R. HERRING, *Clerk.*

NOTE.—The churches are urged to contribute more liberally to the Minute Fund. I have great trouble to get the printing done.—CLERK.

PASTORS AND CLERKS.

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	TIME OF MEETING.
Antioch—N. A. Shelly, Catharine's Lake	Gaston Kelly, Branches S.	
Barlow's Chapel—M. C. Walton, Burgaw	R. S. Atkinson, Stoop Point	1st Sunday.
Bethel—N. B. Cobb, Clear Run	Maury Ward, Joford	4th Sunday.
Beulah—J. D. Larkins, Clinton	W. T. Britt, Turkey	2nd Sunday.
Boykin's Chapel—J. L. Stewart, Clinton	L. M. Boykin, Clinton	2nd Sunday.
Berea—Vanhoit Cavenaugh	Joe Brooks, Wallace	3rd Sunday.
Bowden's—A. L. Betts, Warsaw	W. S. Loftin, Bowden	2nd Sunday.
Bear Branch—L. Bryant, Currie	W. R. Brinson, Currie	3rd Sunday.
Bear Marsh—W. L. Bilbro, Ayden	W. J. Walker, Mount Olive	3rd Sunday.
Bethlehem—R. H. Hewlett, Wilmington	W. C. Keith, Keith	1st Sunday.
Burgaw—M. C. Walton, Burgaw	J. D. Hocutt, Ashton	3rd Sunday.
Brooklyn—J. J. Payseur, Wilmington	A. W. Allen, Wilmington	twice a Sun.
Clinton—J. D. Larkins, Clinton	J. A. Sikes, Clinton	1st and 3rd S.
Concord—N. B. Cobb, Clear Run	W. D. Wilkins, Nat'l W'ls.	1st Sunday.
Corinth—A. L. Betts, Warsaw	D. J. Johnson, Rose Hill	3rd Sunday.
Colvin's Creek—J. H. Dobson, Atkinson	W. G. Horrell, Atkinson	4th Sunday.
Caintuck Chap'—R. H. Hewlett, Wilmingt'n	D. J. Corbett, Natmore	2nd Sunday.
Caswell—R. H. Hewlett, Wilmington	J. L. Watson, P. Caswell	4th Sunday.
Catharine Lake—N. A. Shelley, Catharine	J. Marshburn, Catharine L.	4th Sunday.
Castle Hayne—		
Cedar Grove—		
Dobson's Chap.—J. H. Hildreth, Wilmingt'n	J. M. Dobson, Kenansville.	3rd Sunday.
Ebenezer—	R. Highsmith, Coharie	
Emma's Chapel—N. A. Shelly, Catharine L.	A. B. Cox, Richlands	1st Sunday.
Hallsville—N. A. Shelly, Catharine Lake	J. D. Brown, Cavenaugh	2nd Sunday.
Haw Bluff—J. H. Dobson, Atkinson	J. L. Boswell, Colly	3rd Sunday.
Island Creek—J. L. Stewart, Clinton	J. H. Evans, Rose Hill	1st Sunday.
Ivanhoe—	C. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe	
Johnson's—A. L. Betts, Warsaw	L. Middleton, Warsaw	1st Sunday.
Jacksonville—C. B. Paul, Swansboro	R. P. Hinton, Jacksonville	3rd Sunday.
Kenansville—W. L. Bilbro, Ayden	J. A. Gavin, Kenansville	4th Sunday.
Long Creek—O. W. Triplett, Burgaw	L. F. Johnson, Daughton	1st Sunday.
Lisbon—J. J. Adams, Clinton	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	1st Sunday.
Mt. Zion—N. B. Cobb, Clear Run	Harvy DeVane, Kerr	3rd Sunday.
Maple Hill—	J. R. Marshburn, Maple H.	
Mary's Chapel—A. L. Betts, Warsaw	G. G. Best, Kenansville	1st Sunday.
Masonboro—J. A. Smith, Fair Bluff	Add Hewlett, Wilmington	4th Sunday.
Moore's Creek—R. H. Hewlett, Wilmington	W. J. Hollingsworth, Currie	3rd Sunday.
Mt. Gilead—J. M. Alderman, Harrell's S.	B. Matthews, Taylor's B'ge	4th Sunday.
Mt. Olive—	H. J. Williamson, Mt. Olive	4th Sunday.
Mt. Holly—O. W. Triplett, Burgaw	I. Carroll, So. Washington	2nd Sunday.
Magnolia—L. B. Boney, Wilmington	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	4th Sunday.
New Hope—J. M. Alderman, Harrell's S.	G. W. Carroll, Six Runs	2nd Sunday.
Olive Branch—	Mrs. Vic Williamson, Wil.	
Olivet—Benj. Ward, Marines	F. C. Shepard, Rocky Pt.	
Piney Grove—J. J. Adams, Clinton	E. L. King, Clinton	2nd Sunday.
Poplar Grove—J. J. Adams, Clinton	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	3rd Sunday.
Providence—J. H. Hildreth, Wilmington	R. H. Bethea, Holly Ridge	2nd Sunday.
Rose Hill—A. L. Betts, Warsaw	W. C. Savage, Rose Hill	3rd Sunday.
Riley's Creek—M. C. Walton, Burgaw	J. D. Mann, Rocky Point	4th Sunday.
Sharon—		
Siloam—J. M. Alderman, Harrell's Store	N. F. Highsmith, Harrell's S	
Shiloh—O. W. Triplett, Burgaw	C. C. Woodcock, M's Creek	3rd Sunday.
Springvale—J. M. Alderman, Harrell's S.	A. F. Robinson, Ingold	1st Sunday.
South Side—R. H. Herring, Wilmington	J. F. Littleon, Wilmington	Twice each S.
Salem—Benj. Ward, Marine	E. Q. Capps, Sneed's F'y	3rd Sunday.
Tar Landing—N. A. Shelly, Catharine	D. N. Page, Tar Landing	4th Sunday.
Teachey's—N. B. Cobb, Clear Rnn	B. P. Teachey, Teachey's	2nd Sunday.
Warsaw—A. L. Betts, Warsaw	H. G. Owen, Warsaw	2nd & 4th S.
Well's Chapel—M. C. Walton, Burgaw	L. D. Highsmith, Bland	2nd Sunday.
Wilmington—C. S. Blackwell, Wilmington	E. S. Lathrop, Wilmington	Twice each S.
Willard—O. W. Triplett, Burgaw	W. F. Bowen, Willard	4th Sunday.

PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.	Minister's Relief.	G. M.	Total
Antioch								
Barlow's Chapel								
Bethel	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00		34 00
Beulah	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		9 00
Boykin's Chapel	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	50		5 00
Berea								
Bowden's	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		7 00
Bear Branch								
Bear Marsh	4 50	2 00	3 50	4 00	1 00			15 00
Bethlehem								
Burgaw								
Brooklyn								
Clinton	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00		40
Concord								
Corinth	10 00	8 00	8 00	5 00	2 00	2 00		35
Colvin's Creek								
Caintuck Chapel								
Caswell								
Catharine Lake	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00			10 00
Castle Haynes								
Cedar Grove								
Dobson's Chapel	10 00	5 0	5 00	2 50		2 50		25 00
Ebenezer	2 81		55	1 75		2 50		7 61
Emma's Chapel	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00		10 00
Hallsville	5 00	4 00	3 00	5 00		3 00		20 00
Haw Bluff								
Island Creek	15 00	10 00		5 00		5 00		35 00
Ivanhoe	5 00		5 00	5 00				15
Johnson's	15 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	44 00
Jacksonville								
Kenansville	5 00	5 00	5 00					15 00
Long Creek		1 00			1 00	1 00		3 00
Lisbon	10 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00		25 00
Mount Zion								
Maple Hill								
Mary's Chapel	3 00	2	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		10 00
Masonboro								
Moore's Creek								
Mount Gilead								
Mount Olive	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 50	2 50		35
Mount Holly								
Magnolia	15 00	3 00	6 00	3 00	2 00	2 00		31 00
New Hope	15 00	3 00		15 00	3 00	3 00	30 00	69 00
Olive Branch								
Olivet								
Piney Grove	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		10 00
Poplar Grove	2 50	2 50	2 50	2 50				10 00
Providence								
Rose Hill	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50			4 50
Riley's Creek								
Shiloh								
Sharon								
Siloom	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00		13 00
Springvale	2 00	1 50	1 50	2 50	1 50	1 00		10 00
Southside								
Salem								
Tar Landing								
Teachey's	2 50	2 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	2 00		12 50
Warsaw	25 00	5 00	15 00	10 00	5 00	5 00		65 00
Well's Chapel								
Wilmington								
Willard	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00		9 00
Total	207 31	97 00	102 05	102 25	41 00	49 00	35 00	633 61

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers Relief.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund	Pastor's Salary.	Improvements	Other Church Expenses.	Baptist Female University.	Totals.	Present Indebtedness.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch										50	15 00				15 50		
Barlow Chapel	4 66	2 00	4 00		4 00	1 00	2 00		49 42	1 00	120 00		10 00		198 08		1000 00
Bethel	14 00	3 00	5 00		5 00	2 00	1 62			75			9 91		41 28		500 00
Beulah	2 00	2 00	2 00		2 00	1 00	1 00				75 00	200 00			285 00	55 00	500 00
Boykin'sCh'p'l	1 00	75	1 00		50	1 00	50			50					5 25		500 00
Berea	1 75	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00					50	60 00				66 25		300 00
Bowdens	80	2 25	1 00				75			25					5 05		
Bear Branch	3 01									25	100 00				103 26		
Bear Marsh	4 50	2 50	3 50		4 00	1 50	1 00			1 00					18 00		
Bethlehem	5 00	2 25	4 00	15 00	3 95		2 25		19 00	1 00	100 00				152 45		500 00
Burgaw	7 73		75	25 00	1 56				3 67	1 00	136 00		5 00		180 71		1250 00
Brooklyn	34 00	8 00	10 55		21 00	5 00	3 00	40 00		96	750 00		1000 00		1872 51	300 00	6500 00
Clinton	19 90	10 40	15 95		6 50	6 15	4 86	6 76	3 94	1 00	300 00	12 50	42 00		429 96		750 00
Concord	3 00	2 00		10 25	3 00	1 00	2 00	9 00			72 00				102 25		500 00
Corinth	8 00	5 00	5 00		1 00	2 00	1 00			1 00	125 00		2 00		150 00		750 00
Colvin's Creek	8 12	1 41	60							25		34 00	2 15		46 53	20 00	300 00
CanetuckChp'l	7 00	3 90	20 00	6 85	5 00	3 00	3 00		20 75	75	125 00	45 00			240 25		355 00
Caswell	4 87		2 00		2 08					50	100 00		13 53		112 98	11 85	800 00
CatherineLake	4 00			1 00	1 00					50	25 00				31 50		700 00
Castle Haynes																	
Cedar Grove																	
Dobson's Ch'pl	15 00	6 00	6 00		2 50	2 50	2 50				100 00				134 50		400 00
Ebenezer	2 00	50	50		1 00		1 00			40	20 00	18 00			43 40		200 00
Emma'sChap'l	6 85	2 00	8 00		1 00	1 00	2 00		6 35	35	50 00		5 00		82 55		300 00
Hallsville	5 00	4 50	4 00	2 00	5 47		2 00		4 25	1 00					28 22	24 00	400 00
Haw Bluff	6 82		7 41		1 18					75	60 00				76 14		400 00
Island Creek	18 80	9 20		10 80	4 60		4 60			60	100 00		87 35		180 95		600 00
Ivanhoe	6 01		2 05		6 23					60					14 89		500 00
Johnson	22 88	5 85	19 65		10 18	5 00	5 00	25 00	5 00	1 90	125 00	18 35		7 40	250 71		1000 00
Jacksonville	6 63	1 50			5 62	6 00				50	82 44	69 14	27 24		194 11		1500 00

Kenansville	8 25	5 00	5 00		2 50	2 00	1 00					125 00		12 50		161 25		1200 00
Long Creek	3 00			10 00			1 17		1 37		20		15 00			30 70		500 00
Lisbon	19 66	5 48	5 00	33 50	9 65	1 85					50	125 00			27 00	227 59		800 00
Mt. Zion	4 57	58	72				34				20	36 00				42 41		
Maple Hill	3 00		2 00	1 00	1 00											7 00		300 00
Mary's Chapel	1 92	1 00	1 81		1 07	1 75	1 75		5 07		50	42 00				56 87		500 00
Masonboro	5 00			10 00	8 00		1 30				50	150 00	125 00	15 00		309 80		500 00
Moore's Creek	5 00	1 00	2 10	2 00	2 00	50	1 00				50	125 00				139 10		400 00
Mt. Gilead	2 00	2 00		30 00	2 00	3 40	2 00	3 00			50	125 00	20 00			189 90		600 00
Mt. Olive	10 00	10 00	5 00		5 00	2 50	2 50				1 38					36 38		
Mt. Holly	2 20		2 18		2 00		1 00				1 00	80 00				88 38	40 00	900 00
Magnolia	15 50		5 00						1 25		1 25	100 00				123 00		800 00
New Hope	15 00	3 00		51 02	15 00	3 00	3 00	8 10	5 00		1 00	100 00		22 16		226 28		500 00
Olive Branch												4 25				4 25		
Olivet	3 77				1 30		61				50	40 00		1 60		47 78		450 00
Piney Grove	6 63	1 16	7 05		2 30				5 00			75 00	7 06			104 20		400 00
Poplar Grove	6 12		3 45	1 00	3 35				1 76		50	50 00				66 18		350 00
Providence	1 00	50	1 00		50		50				50					4 00		
Rose Hill	1 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	50					45	40 00				44 95		50 00
Riley's Creek	2 00				2 00			2 15				100 00	41 00			147 15		640 00
Sharon																		
Siloam	5 00	2 00	2 00		2 00	1 00	1 00				1 00					14 00		
Shiloh	1 98				2 52		2 22				50	100 00				107 22		30 00
Springvale	6 08	2 00	1 50		5 80	1 00	50				75					17 63		500 00
Southside	40 00	30 00	30 00		43 85		5 00	16 70	59 10	1 50		367 82		51 39		644 86	608 01	1800 00
Salem	2 00				2 65			6 00		50		50 00		5 00		66 15		450 00
Teachey's	7 99	2 00	1 20	7 00	3 00	2 00	2 00			1 11		100 00				126 30		1000 00
Tar Landing		1 00	1 00		1 00						25	30 50				33 75		300 00
Warsaw	25 00	10 20	17 00		10 00	5 00	5 00	3 94	16 70	1 00		300 00	66 94	53 51		514 29		1500 00
Will's Chapel	8 30			325 00	9 46		4 56				75					348 07		500 00
Wilmington	163 20	125 00	37 50	4 75	75 00			114 15	150 00	4 00		1800 00	75 00	405 00	78 00	2031 60		40000 00
Willard	2 00	2 00	2 00		2 00	1 00	1 00				50	100 00				110 50		800 00
	595 50	282 88	557 47	547 17	310 35	58 65	77 53	234 80	357 63	38 65		6101 51	746 99	1720 34	112 40	11016 54		

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.			ORDAINED MINISTERS.	LICENTIATES.
	Baptisms.	Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Died.	Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.		
Antioch							3	2	5		
Barlow Chap'l	8	2	3				35	52	87		
Bethel	17	7					55	87	142	N. B. Cobb, J. M. Alderman	
Beulah				7	1	1	48	67	115		
Boykins Ch'p'l					1		40	50	90		
Berea	3				1	1	37	40	77		
Bowdens	2		1			1	10	23	33		
Bear Marsh		2			2	2	40	69	109	J. T. Albritton	
Bear Branch	3	1		4		1	26	25	51		
Bethlehem	22				1		66	94	160		
Burgaw	1	4			1	1	52	54	106		
Brooklyn	9	11	8	13	1	4	53	92	145	Hildreth, Payseur, Adams	
Clinton	3	14			1	6	97	125	222	J. L. Stuart, O. P. Meeks	L. M. Hobbs.
Concord	1	1			3		23	40	63		
Corinth		4		3	4	13	74	83	157		
Colvins Creek				4		1		28	34		
Caintuck C'h'l	23		2	1	2	2	73	94	167		
Caswell	6		2	6		6	28	59	87		
CatherineLake					2		5	17	22		
Castle Hayne											
Cedar Grove											
Dobson's Chap	3			8		13	40	48	88		
Ebenezer			1		2	3	25	19	44		
Emma's Ch'p'l	2	5	1				26	34	60		
Hallsville	3	3			1	3	41	83	124		D. W. Burton.
Haw Bluff	4			2		2	50	67	117		
Island Creek	1			2	2	2	74	123	197		
Ivanhoe				1	1	1	35	51	86		
Jacksonville	2					3	24	27	51		
Johnson's	5	1	2	1	4	3	68	81	149		
Kenansville		1				4	30	57	87		
Long Creek	11	9	5	3	2	1	46	56	102		
Lisbon	7					4	53	56	109		
Mt. Zion							16	18	34		
Maple Hill	5	2			1		17	21	38		
Mary's Chapel	2	1			1	4	19	31	50		
Masonboro		2			3		39	63	102	R. H. Hewlett	
Moore's Creek	8	5	1			6	36	40	76		
Mt. Gilead				4			60	94	154	C. T. Tew	
Mt. Olive				1	2	2	60	95	155		
Mt. Holly	13	1		4	3		41	65	106	R. J. Bateman	
Magnolia	2			7	2	2	42	97	139		
New Hope	9	3	1		1	1	100	118	218		
Olive Branch	9						26	33	59		
Olivet		1	1	2		1	17	29	46		
Piney Grove	2		1	2	2	11	40	68	108	R. C. Sandlin	
Poplar Grove	2				1		45	58	103		
Providence	1	2		2	1	6	16	35	57		
Rose Hill		2					13	15	28		
Riley's Creek	20	1	1	7	3	2	69	132	201	Charles Taylor	
Sharon											
Siloam		3		1		2	57	63	120		
Shiloh		2	1		2	3					
Spring Vale	5						42	59	101		
South Side	3	9	2	11	4	6	58	109	167	R. H. Herring	
Salem	1	2	1	11	3	1	15	40	55		
Tar Landing			1			1	6	12	18		
Teachey's	8	5		1			50	65	115	L. B. Boney	F. Savage.
Warsaw	20	5	3		3	8	80	119	199	A. L. Betts, L. R. Carroll	
Wells' Chapel	30		1		1	3	106	135	241		
Wilmington	5	20		3	5	18	169	292	451	A. King, J. E. King	J. R. Marshall.
Willard						5	35	51	86		

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	No. Schools.	Off. & Teach.	No. Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Mos. Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.
Antioch									
Barlow's Chapel	James Andrews	1	5	40		12	05		
Bethel	W. J. Fry, M. H. Oates	2	14	78	50	12		4 00	
Beulah									
Boykin's Chapel									
Berea									
Bowden's	G. A. Stokes	1	5	35	25	12			
Bear Marsh									
Bear Branch	J. R. Brinson	1	4	20	15	6	1 50		
Bethlehem	W. N. Anderson	1	6	48	30	9	6 00		
Burgaw	J. T. Bland	1	4	40	30	12	10 00		
Brooklyn	J. H. McDougall	1	15	130	115	12	127 82	2 00	5 27
Clinton	J. A. Sikes	1	10	130	75	12	25 63	3 50	6 85
Concord	W. D. Wilkins	1	5	18					
Corinth	I. J. Johnson	1	6	78	70				
Colvin's Creek	W. S. Harrell	1	5	30	30	12	5 00		
Caintuck Chapel	R. D. Pridgen								
Caswell	W. D. Malpass	1	4	54	34	12	4 00	22	
Catharine Lake	G. W. Taylor	1	6	35	30	12			
Castle Hayne									
Cedar Grove									
Dobson's Chapel	C. J. Bradshaw	1	2	15	10	12	2 00	6 00	
Ebenezer	R. Highsmith	1	4	22	18	9			
Emma's Chapel	I. A. Sanders	1	4	30	15	12			
Hallsville	O. W. Scott	1	3	38	18	12	2 50		
Haw Bluff	W. H. Barnhill	1	6	30					
Island Creek									
Ivanhoe	J. F. Lewis	1	2	16					
Johnson's	W. H. Middleton	1	6	50	34	12	11 52	15 65	
Jacksonville	R. P. Henston	1	5	23	19	12	18 11		
Kenansville	L. A. Beasley	1	6	60	30				
Long Creek	J. E. Herring	1	6	50	40	12	3 15		
Lisbon	D. L. Herring	1	6	39	20	12	5 00	6 00	
Mt. Zion	F. F. Newton	1	3	24	20		67	2 40	
Maple Hill		1	5	30	20		12 00		
Mary's Chapel	C. M. Middleton	1	5	47	30	12	4 00		
Masonboro	B. S. Montford	1	7	57	35	12	22 00	10 00	
Moore's Creek	N. R. Croom	1	7	30	20	12	3 00		
Mt. Gilead									
Mt. Olive		1	9	75	50	12	12 00		
Mt. Holly	Isaiah Carroll	1	4	60	40	12	10 00		
Magnolia	Miss Macey Cox	1	4	46	40	12	8 00		
New Hope	C. E. Daniel	1	8	125	75	12	20 00		
Olive Branch		1		70			24 00		
Olivet	F. C. Shepard	1	7	30	20	12	3 00		
Piney Grove	J. C. Hobbs	1	6	38	38	8	4 00		
Poplar Grove	H. B. Hatcher	1	6	43	20	8	5 00		
Providence									
Rose Hill									
Riley's Creek	M. L. Guyton	1	7	50	35	12	5 00		
Sharon									
Siloam		1		40	32				
Shiloh	H. A. Bland	1	3	25	20				
Spring Vale	A. F. Robinson	1	4	40	30		4 40		
Southside	J. S. Canady	1	13	85	79	12	69 06		
Salem	J. C. Davis	1	7	25		6	3 00	1 00	
Teachey's	A. F. Bland	1	5	40	30	12			
Tar Landing	D. N. Page	1	4	42	30	12	4 00	75	4 75
Warsaw	S. M. Carlton	1	9	100	75	12	15 00	60 00	
Well's Chapel	L. R. Highsmith					12	3 35		
Wilmington	C. D. Weeks	2	22	285	175	12	138 00	12 55	
Willard	R. F. Rivenbark	1	3	35	25	12	4 00		

SOCIETY CONTRIBUTIONS.

CHURCHES.	WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY.					B. Y. P. U.			SUNBEAMS	
	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Expenses.	Building Fund.	Missions.	Orphanage.
Bethel	$.....	$.....	$.....	3 50	$...	$.....	$.....	...	$.....	$.....
Brooklyn	5 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....
Clinton	4 80	4 80	3 75	.....	.....	6 00	.....	...	.....	9 00
Corinth	8 44	2 00	1 35	3 00	6 26	.....	.....	...	.....	.....
Lisbon	1 85	48	60	....	.....	.....	.....	....	1 95	.....
Mt. Olive	11 25	2 13	4 25	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Southside	6 00	.....	.....	7 50	...	.....	.....	....	35 00	24 58
Warsaw	10 00	4 80	4 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....
Wilmington	12 00	12 00	12 00	.....	...	20 00	10 00	....	6 00	.....

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MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

HALLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH,

DUPLIN COUNTY, N. C.,

OCTOBER 7, 8, 9, 1902.

FOR NEXT SESSION:

Place of Meeting—Rose Hill, N. C.
Time—Tuesday after first Sunday in October, 1903.
Introductory Sermon—J. L. Stewart.
Missionary Sermon —— ——

WILMINGTON, N. C.:
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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION,

MODERATOR.

REV. J. L. STEWART, Clinton, N, C.

CLERK.

A. R. HERRING, Delway, N. C.

TREASURER.

W. H. MIDDLETON, Warsaw, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. A. POWELL, C. E. DANIEL, W. H. MURRAY
L. MIDDLETON, W. H. MIDDLETON,

TRUSTEES WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

J. L. Stewart,	O. P. Meeks,	S. A. Strickland,
D. Leon Carlton,	Chas. F. Carroll,	F. M. Carroll,
C. E. Daniel,	W. P. Kennedy,	S. M. Carlton,

MINISTERS.

J. L. Stewart,	R. C. Sandlin,	W. N. Johnson,	L. B. Boney,
J. T. Albritton,	J. D. Larkins,	J. H. Hildreth,	J. A. Smith,
N. B. Cobb,	A. L. Betts,	L. R. Carroll.	J. H. Vanhoy,
N. A. Shelly,	J. M. Alderman,	C. F. Hopper,	J. L. Shinn,

MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION.

J. L. Stewart	J. D. Larkins,	A. L. Betts,	J. H. Vanhoy,
J. T. Albritton,	J. M. Alderman,	J. M. Page,	J. W. Powell.
N. B. Cobb,	W. N. Johnson,	J. H. Hildreth,	L. B. Carroll.
N. A. Shelly.			

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith having been babtized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. we do now in the presence of God angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore. by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry. the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances, to walk circumspectly in the world, to be just in our dealings. faithful, in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment: to avoid all talking, backbiting, and excessive anger. to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage: and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love. to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress. to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of these rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of our Covenant and principles of God's Word.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1.—This Association shall be donominated and known as the EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

ART. 2.—The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men; and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

ART. 3.—This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church chosen from her membership, assembled in conference.

ART. 4.— The delegates from each church shall bear a Letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relativo to the state of the church: Provided, however, that when any church has prepared a Letter, and through inadvertence the Letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

ART. 5.—The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members, by ballot, by majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

ART. 6.—It shall be the duty of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on any question under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

ART. 7.—It shall be the business of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session, and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

ART. 8.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body, and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

ART. 9.—The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body, take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, that our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee in order that said Committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

ART. 10.—The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe Gospel order.

ART. 11.—The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, and extend to them the privilege of the body, except that of voting.

ART. 12.—The Annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

ART. 13.—By appointment of the Association, there shall be an Introductory Sermon of a denominational character, and a Missionary Sermon.

ART. 14.—This Constitution may be amended at any annual session, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1.—On the meeting of the Association, the Moderator of the pre ceeding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case o his absence a Chairman pro tem shall be elected.

2.—Each session of the Association shall be opened with religiou exercises to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name

3.—At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business the names of the delegates shall be called, and the proceedings of th previous daily session read.

4.—The members shall observe towards the officers and each othe that courtesy which becomes Christians.

5.—Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presid ing officer. He shall confine himself strictly to the question under con sideration, and avoid personalities.

6.—No member shall speak more than twice on the same questio without permission.

7.—All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presidin officer, before discussion.

8.—No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.

9.—When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, t commit, to postpone to a definite time; which several motions shall hav preference in the order in which they are stated.

10.—After a motion has been decided any member having voted i the majority may move a reconsideration.

11.—No member shall absent himself during the session of th Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one sha take final leave of absence without the permission of the Association and if any shall do so, their absence shall be noted in the Minutes.

12.—All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall b decided by a majority of votes.

13.—The Association shall have the right to decide what subjec shall be admitted to consideration.

14.—The Rules of Order may be altered and amended at any sessio of the Association, by a majority vote,

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1—Calling the Roll of Churches and enrolling Delegates.

2—Election of Officers.

3—Calling for Petitionary Letters.

4—Appointment of Committees.

5—Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.

6—Reports of Standing Committees.

7—Reports of other Committees.

8—Report of Treasurer.

9—Miscellaneous Business.

10—Incidental and routine motions shall be in order at any time.

11—Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

HALLSVILLE, N. C., October 7, 1902.

The Eastern Association met in its Fifty-ninth Annual Session with the Hallsville Baptist Church at 11 a. m., Tuesday October 7, 1902.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by J. M. Alderman, Delway, N. C., Text: 2d Cor. 5:14. After the sermon a recess was taken for one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

J. L. Stewart read the 25th Psalm, L. R. Carroll led in prayer. J L Stewart Moderator of previous session called the Association to order.

On motion Moderator appointed a Finance Committee consisting of Thad Jones, W. J. Fryar, Chas. F. Carroll, C. E. Daniel.

V. N. Sewell and C. E. Daniel Reading Clerks.

On motion a committee on digest of church letters is appointed by Moderator. Committee N. B Cobb. J. M. Alderman, W. H. Vanhoy.

The Roll of Churches thencalled and delegates enrolled as follows:

DUPLIN COUNTY.

Alum Springs.—Gaston Kelly.
Bethel.—J. E. Alderman, W. N. Johnson, S. O. Rogers —second day.
Bowdens.—By Letter.
Bear Branch.—By Letter.
Bear Marsh.—D. B. Brown, Jno. F. Burnham.
Concord.—S. J Boone, W. J. Matthis, J. T. Drew.
Corinth.—J. G. Boone, I. D. Johnson.
Dobsons Chapel.—W. H. Murray, O D. Bostick F. T. Dobson.
Hallsville.—Robt. Sanderlin, Jerre Southerland, D. W. Burton.
Island Creek.—E. Heldt. J. H. Evans.
Johnson's—J A. Powell, Henry Carlton, Alphan Everette.
Kenansville.—Jas. W. Stokes, Henry Dail, Thad Jones Jr.
Maple Hill.—Thos. Batts, T. B. Fisher, D. H Marshburn.
Mary's Chapel.—J. B. Houston, R. J. McGowan.
Magnolia.—G. W. Carroll, R C. Hollingsworth. H. M. Swinson.
Rose Hill.—F. M. Southerland, W. B Hawes.
Sharon.—Z. Blanchard, W. D Brock, Frank Sloan.
Teacheys —Francis Savage, T. H. Rogers.
Warsaw —H. F. Owen, C. F Carroll, S. G. Carlton.
Wells Chapel —Rooks. second day.
Faisons.—V. N. Sewell.

SAMPSON COUNTY.

Beulah.—Henry Fryer, W. T. Britt, Henry Odum.
Boykins Chapel —By Letter.
Clinton —J. L. Stewart, J R Peterson.
Ebenzer.—By Letter.
Ivanhoe —C. C. Corbett, H. W. Moore, B. Malpass.
Lisbon.—A. R. Herring.
Mt. Zion.—
Mt. Gilead,—A. C Peterson. E. P. Matthews.

New Hope.—C. E. Daniel, L. C. Carlton, L. M. Carroll.
Piney Grove.—
Poplar Grove.—L. D. Rogers, B. Taylor.
Siloam.—D. T. Johnson, W. P. Ward.
Springdale. —L. M. Sanderson.

WAYNE COUNTY.

Mt. Olive.—By Letter.

The letters from Bear Branch, Catherine Lake, Mt. Holly, Providence, Teacheys, Wells Chapel, asking for letters to join Wilmington Association on motion were tabled.

ITEM 2.—The election of officers was taken up. By motion D. S Kennedy, the rules were suspended for the election of Moderator.

The Clerk was instructed to cast the ballot of the Association fo J. L. Stewart for Moderator. J, L. Stewart, was elected Moderator

Under the suspension of the rules the Moderator was instructed t cast the ballot of the Association for A. R. Herring for Clerk.

The Clerk was instructed to cast the ballot for W. A. Middleton, fo Treasurer.

ITEM 3.—Petitionary letters called for.

Letter from Alum Springs Church was presented and on motion w received, and on motion J. D. Larkins the letter was referred to a Com mittee on request to be appointed at this session.

On motion the Moderator appointed a Committee on Request Members of Committee J. D. Larkins, N. B. Cobb, J. T. Albritton.

The pastor and deacons of Hallsville church with W. H. Murra were appointed by Moderator Committee on Devotional Exercises

The Bear Marsh and Rose Hill letter referred to committee o request.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises report preaching to-nig at 7:30 by J. N. Tolar.

Devotional Exercises to-morrow morning 9:30 by J, N. Page.

On motion J. T Albritton the letter from Faison was referred to Co mittee on Request.

On motion A. L. Betts, J. M. Alderman and J. N. Tolar were add to Committee on Request.

On motion N. B. Cobb the Moderator appointed the several Comm tees as follows:

State Missions—J. T. Albritton, Jno. F. Burnham, C. F. Carroll.
Home Missins—N. B. Cobb, J. R Peterson, D. W. Burton.
Foreign Missions—L. R, Carroll, S. J. Boon, C. E. Daniels.
Orphange—J. W. Powell, T. G. Dobson, I. D. Johnson
Ministerial Education —J. D. Larkins, Henry Fryar, Robert Sander
Periodicals—A. L. Betts, J. H. Evans, F. M. Southerland.
Sunday Schools —J. M. Alderman, C. C. Corbett, A. C. Peterson.
To Nominate Executive Committee—W. B. Hawes, E. Heldt, J Alderman.
Womans Work —J. N. Tolar,. L. Carlton, J. M. Wallace.
Young Peoples Union—D. S. Kennedy, Daniel Johnson, H. G. Ov

Denominational Institutions—W. N. Johnson, J. M. Page, J. H. Hildreth.

To Nominate Preachers—S. M. Carlton, E. P. Matthews, S. O. Rogers.

ITEM 5.—On motion it was ordered that any member of this Association attending the meeting of any other Association is designated as Corresponding Delegate from this body.

The Association adjourned with prayer by N. B. Cobb.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday Oct. 8.—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional Exercises conducted by J. M. Page.

At 10 a. m. Moderator called the Association to order.

Roll of Delegates called.

The Minutes of the first days session was read and approved.

Letters from churches not represented read and the delegates enrolled.

Visiting brethren welcomed by Moderater as follows:

J. M. Page South River Association representing the N. C. Baptist.

J. W. Powell Tar River Association. Bro. Phillips South Carolina.

Special order Report of the Executive Committee together with report on State Missions.

Report of Executive Committee read by S. M. Carlton.

The report on State Missions read by J. F. Albritton.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Since the last meeting of this body, 19 of our churches, located in New Hanover, Pender and Onslow Counties, were dimissed by letter and formed the Wilmington Association. So our former "Onslow Field" is no longer a part of our territory. The only Missionary we have had employed this year, is Rev. N. A. Shelly, who has labored principally in the Eastern part of Duplin, Co. He reports his work for the past year as follows: Traveled 1,500 miles preached 175 times. babtized 9, organized one church Alum Springs." He also obtained a deed for church lot near old "Muddy Creek," and will in a short while begin to build a house of worship at that point. He reports having collected on field about one hundred dollars. In addition to maintaining the work at the points already occupied, there are other new points of great importance opening up, that we should help, at once. During the past year, we had only $75 appropriated by State Board of Missions available for the Missionary work within our bounds, we recommend that in addition to pledges and contributions we make to State Missions, we restore the old order of pledging for Associational Missions at this session, and annually hereafter.

Respectfully

S. M. CARLTON, Chairman Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Secretary Johnson earnestly appeals through our State papers, to the brethren of the State for united and persistent effort to raise the amount necessary to meet outstanding obligations to our Missionaries. We are several thousand dollars behind, and the Convention will soon be here. The consecrated missionaries will have soon finished up their years work, and will be looking to our noble Secretary for their support. God help the brethren to come up to the help of brother Johnson, who

has carried the great burden of State Missions on his heart and h throughout the year.

In behalf of our heart-burdened, struggling Secretary, and the sing needs of a hundred or more faithful missionaries, we respect submit this report.

JNO. T. ALBRITTON
JOHN F. BURNHAM.
CHAS. F. CARROLL.

Pending the adoption of the reports J. T. Albritton offered th lowing resolution.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Association be instructed over to the Missionaries in our own bounds as directed by the Exec Committee so much of the State Mission money as is needful to all obligations to them and that the amount so paid be receipted the State Board.

The reports were spoken to by S. M. Carlton, J. D. Larkins, Shelly, L. R. Carroll. N B. Cobb, J. W. Powell, A. L. Betts Powell, J. W. Bailey, of the "Bibical Recorder."

The resolutions and reports were then adopted. Cash colle taken at the stand $7.40, which amount was paid to the Treasu Foreign Missions.

On motion J. H. Rooks was recognized as delegate repres Well's Chapel.

The Association adjourned for one hour after benediction by Vanhoy.

AFTERNOON SESSION—WEDNESDAY—SECOND DAY

The Association reassembled at 1:45 Moderator in the chair.

The Committee to Nominate Preachers report as follows:

Introductory Sermon by J. L. Stewart; Missionary Sermon by Tolar.

Report on Foreign Missions submitted and read by L. R. Carr

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

While the love of Christ should constrain us to lives of prom joyous obedience, the necessity for sending the gospel to every c is apparent from the following facts:

First—The whole human race is fallen as we are taught in the

Second—God in his abundant grace has provided salvation who will recieve it.

Third—Choice is essential, however, to salvation.

Fourth—Proclamation is necessary to a choice.

Hence the command, Go into all the world and preach the g every creature, etc

While we have cause for gratitude for the work already d have cause for prayerful solicitude when we remember there day a thousand million going down to death knowing nothing as a personal Saviour.

This solicitude is too greatly intensified when we learn that majority of our church members are doing comparatively not carry to the unsaved that knowledge without which they are ho lost. How to awaken and inspire our people to greater efforts al line of Christian work, is one of the great problems that confr earnest faithful pastor. But let us not become discouraged fr

or any other cause Educate, educate, educate is one of the great needs of the hour. The greatest, the grandest, the happiest results must inevitably come, because He has assured us that "He shall not faint nor be discouraged till He set his name in all the earth and all the islands of the sea shall wait for his coming" As sure as I live, He declares, the whole earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord.

L. R. CARROLL
S. J. BOONE.
C. E. DANIELS

Pending its consideration J. W. Bailey, addressed the Association. The report was then adopted.

The report of Trustees of Warsaw High School was submitted and read by S. M. Carlton.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

We have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. M. A. Wooten, an experienced Educator, to take charge of our school and he, with three lady assistants, is giving us a good school. Up to the present 84 pupils have been enrolled and we confidently expect an hundred pupils before Christmas.

During the past year we have collected $20.00 for rent of vacant lot, and used the same in repairing the building.

Our "Ladies Aid Society" headed by Miss Etty Murray, is raisingan educational fund, to buy other property for school purposes that will supply the want, so much felt, of providing a home for teacher and boarding pupils. When we have added this building to our present school building, we can compete with other schools of like grade, in cheapness of board and incidental expenses.

L. M. CARLTON.
Chairman, Board of Trustees.
W. P. KENNEDY.

The report was spoken to by L. R. Carroll. J. D. Larkins, C. F. Carroll. On call by J. T. Albritton for previous question the report was adopted.

The Committee on request reported on the Faison Letter.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The Committee on the letter from Faison church beg leave to report that although the Committee are not satisfied as to the entire regularity of the proceedings in the reorganization of the Church. they find that there is now an organized church with Articles of Faith adopted by most of the churches of this Association and the usual scriptural church officers duly elected and therefore recommend the reception of the church into this body.

JNO. T. ALBRITTON.
NEEDHAM B. COBB.
J. M. ALDERMAN.
J. N. TOLAR.

The report was adopted.

The Committee to nominate an Executive Committee reports recommending the Election of the following brethren. J. A. Powell, C. E. Daniel, W. H. Murray, L. Middleton, W. H Middleton. The report as offered was adopted.

Final leave of absence was given to C. F. Carroll.

The Alum Springs church upon the recommendation of the C mittee on Requests was received as a member of this Association.

Report on Ministerial Education submitted and read by J. Larkins.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATON.

The pioneer preachers of our State, a majority of whom, being educated, and seeing the great need of an educated ministry b to lay plans by which young men called of God to preach the Gosp the Lord Jesus, could receive an education.

The plans developed and the result was a Board of Educa located at Wake Forest College, who help young men called to ministry.

This Board has been faithful and through the support of the tists of North Carolina have aided a host of young men who are pre ing the Gospel in every part of the world. There are now forty- young men being helped this year at Wake Forest College, and f for their support are much needed. Let us double our energies and all of the young ministers needing help.

J. D. LARKINS,
HENRY FRYER,
ROBERT SANDERLIN
Committ

Pending the adoption of report J. D. Larkins addressed the Ass tion. The report was adopted.

On motion D. S. Kennedy a committee to investigate the An property was raised as follows: Thad Jones, Jr, H. G. Owen, Alderman.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report, that the follo amounts were sent with the church letters to this session and can to the hands of the Committee as follows.

State Missions	$1
Home Missions	
Foreign Missions	
Orphange	
Ministerial Education	
Ministers Relief	
Minute Fund	
Young Ladies Missionary Society	
Gospel Missions	
Unknown	
Total	$

THAD JONES Jr.
W. J. FRYAR
CHAS. F. CARR
Comm

The above amount has been turned over to W. H. Middleton. urer. We have his receipt.

The report was adopted.

W B. Hawes and F. M. Southerland granted final leave of ab Treasurer submitted his report.

On the coming in of the Treasurer's report. the Auditing Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

W. H. Middleton in account with Eastern Association for the year 1901.

To amount received from all sources.

State Missions	$234.57
Gospel Missions	12.05
Home Missions	73.74
Foreign Missions	91.29
Ministerial Relief	58 18
Ministerial Education	50.54
Orphange	92.60
Minute Fund	43.74
Baptist Female University	18.78
Total	$675.49

Disbursed as follows.

State Missions	$234.57
Ministerial Education	50.54
Orphange	92.60
Gospel Missions	12.05
Home Missions	73.74
Foreign Missions	91.29
Ministerial Relief	58.18
Minute Fund	43.74
Baptist Female University	18.78
Total	$675 49

We the Committee to Audit the Treasurer's account have done so and find it correct.

C. E. DANIEL,
W. N. JOHNSON.
Committee.

The reports were adopted.

On motion of A. L. Betts, J. N. Tolar was elected member of State Board of Missions.

The Committee on requests reports recommending Rose Hill as the place of meeting for the year 1903. The report was adopted.

Final leave of absence granted C. C. Corbett.

Committee on Devotional Exercises announce that J. W. Bailey will occupy this church tonight.

The Association adjourned till 9:30 to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY Oct. 9.—MORNING SESSION.

Thursday at 9:30 Moderator conducted Devotional Exercises. S. M Carlton led in prayer.

The roll of delegates called and the proceedings of previous days session read and approved.

Report on Denominational Institutions submitted and read by W. N. Johnson.

REPORT ON DENOMINATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Our subject is a broad and important one. Broad because it not only takes in our schools and colleges, but Orphanages, and churches as well, important because not only the destiny of our churches but our government itself depends upon it. We cannot hope in this short report to give anythin more than a few suggestions, but we hope that the Association and Union Meetings will thoroughly discuss this great subject.

In North Carolina there are three distinct grades as Educational work: First—Primary, Second—High School, Third—Collegiate.

And there are three agencies of opperation, First—The State. Second—The Religious Denominations, Third—Private individuals, or corporations.

The State is and should be in the ascendency in primary education, and the Religions Denomination should do their part in controlling the High Schools and Colleges.

As Missionary Baptists we should not only love and support Wake Forest College and the Female University at Raleigh, and the Louisville Seminary, but we should be more interested in Preparatory High Schools, for the individuals life is not only influenced, but shaped in a large degree by the preparatory schools.

Such being the case we earnestly urge this Association to put more influence and money into the High School work until this branch of education within our bounds shall be controlled by our denomination.

J. H. HILDRETH,
J. M. PAGE.
W. M. JOHNSON.

Pending the adoption of report, J. W. Bailey addressed the Associ tion followed by A. L. Betts.

The roll of churches was then called with request that the delegat promise to put before the churches the needs of the Baptist Fem: University. The report was adopted.

The Committee to investigate the Antioch church property report

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

We your Committee appointed to investigate the matter of Anti church report as follows.

We recommend that if there be no legal impediment that bro. Ga Kelly P. H. Chesnut and Lem Southerland be and are hereby author to advertise the old Antioch church building, and sell same and proceeds and use in the building of a Baptist church at Alum Spri

Respectfully submitted,

THAD. JONES, JR.
H. G. OWEN.
J . . ALDERMAN.

The report was adopted.

Committee on Young Peoples Union report through D. S. Ken

REPORT.

In view of the fact that what is called the young peoples w covered by the Sunday School, and in view of the fact that in ou ion this Association is not ready for the Bible Study Courses pr in the Young Peoples Organization we recommend that this sub dismissed for the present.

D S. KENNEDY,
D. T. JOHNSON,
H. G. OWEN,
Commit

The report adopted.

The report on Home Missions was submitted and read by N. B. Cobb.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Ever since the battle of Alamance, North Carolina has been known as the plant bed of the South. There has been a continuous stream of imigration from every county in our borders ever since the defeat of the Regulators, until now there is scarcely any family in any section that is not represented by one or more of its members in every State of the Union and very largely represented in every section of the South, Southwest and Northwest.

Home Missions therefore appeals to us peculiarly as missions to our own children and kindred at home and abroad, and ought to be as dear to our hearts as State Missions, for it is only an enlargement of our own State Mission work.

The Home Board is now co-operating with the State Boards of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland. Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Texas and Virginia, in part or the whole of their work.

Last year its increase in contributions for its regular work amounted to over $12,000. It expended in this State $5,300, and employed 40 missionaries who reported 2,080 weeks of labor and supplied 45 churches and stations. We are glad to note the increasing interest among us in the work of this Board.

N. B COBB,
J. R PETERSON,
D. W. BURTON.

Pending the adoption N. B. Cobb spoke to the report. It was then adopted.

The report on Periodicals submitted and read by A. L. Betts.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It is of the highest importance that our Denomination be represented by its worthy literature. The power of the printitg press ought to be turned to the glory of God, and to this end His kingdom on earth should have a correct literature of its own. It should be directed toward the building up of our people in the Bible doctrine, denominational activity and Christian life. We are glad to say that our denomination has good literature, representing all its departments.

The Lesson Helps of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention are worthy of general acceptation.

The Biblical Recorder for so long the organ of our Convention, deserves our hearty approval and support. We commend it especially to our people.

Charity and Children is our Orphanage paper, and it is one of the best papers to be had for the price.

We also recommend the North Carolina Baptist. The Home Field and The Foreign Mission Journal.

A. L. BETTS,
F. M. SOUTHERLAND,
J. H. EVANS.

The report was spoken to by J. W. Bailey and J. M. Page in behalf of their respective papers.

Motion by N. B. Cobb that the Missionary sermon be preached at the stand now ordered.

The report on the Orphanage submitted and read by J. W. Powell.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage located at Thomasville is one of if not the most important institutions owned by the Baptists of North Carolina because its existence growth and development, depends upon, nay even lives, amidst and upon the prayers and tears of God's people, which makes the orphanage and orphanage supporter so interdependent one upon the other that we are constrained to believe that the orphanage is indespensible in a measure to the spirit development of our churches. While we rejoice and praise God for the wisdom and economy of its managers, which has enabled them to take care of so many little ones bereft of parental care and protection, yet we regret to know that there are so many more asking for admittance and are compelled to be refused on account of the small contributions of our churches. We believe there 1000 churches in the State which could support an orphan without any sacrifice of rare self denial.

There are also 300 or 500 Sunday Schools which could and would do the same if properly developed and trained by some systematic plan of giving.

This can be done by pastors, Sunday School Superintendents and friends of the institution by taking up a special collection once a month.

This plan your committee would respectfully recommend and urge upon our churches and Sunday Schools throughout the Association.

We would look upon a large and self sustaining endowment as a calamity upon the institution, and detrimental to the growth and development of our churches because it would deprive them of the growth in grace developed by such giving.

Brethren when we think of what the Lord has done with this institution and through us and the comforts consolation and happiness it has given in return to its promoters and friends trully we can say with the Master: It is more blessed to give than to receive.

J. W. POWELL. For Committee.

Pending the adoption of the report on the Orphanage J. W. Powell and A. Johnson addressed the Association. At the close of A. Johnson's speech on motion J. D. Larkins a cash collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to $7.40. The report was then adopted.

The Committee on Digest report. N. B. Cobb read the report.

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Your Committee find that 30 Churches are represented by letter at this session, 6 of which, namely Bear Branch, Teachey's, Well's Chapel, Providence, Mt. Holly and Catherine Lake have just been dismissed to join the Wilmington Association. Faisons has been recognized and reported both by letter and delegate. A new Church has been organized at Alum Springs near the old Church known as Antioch with 6 members. The total amount of contributions of these 30 Churches, exclusive of Pastors salaries, is $4,095.60. We find that 18 of these Churches report a total gain over last year of $2,034 89, while 12 others report a total loss of $163.21, resulting in a total gain for the whole of $1871.69. Sixteen report 137 baptisms, the others none. Fifteen report a loss in membership of 203, while eight report a net gain of 120. The total membership of the 30 Churches is 3,334, a net loss from last year of 83 members.

See table.

N. B. COBB,
J. M. ALDERMAN,
W. H. VANHOY.

Report adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools was submitted and read by J. M. Alderman.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We are able to report about 1,100 Sunday Schools out of 1,640 Baptist Churches in North Carolina. Of the entire population only about 40 per cent attend Sunday School of any kind. We are glad, however, to report 85 per cent of all the baptisms as coming from this 40 per cent of Sunday School attendants. As a people we have only one Book—the Bible. We should teach it to our children. We are proud of our Sunday School publications at Nashville and Philadelphia. There is no excuse for not using more of our Sunday School literature. We need more thoroughly trained teachers, hence your Committee would recommend that brother T. N. Johnson be invited to visit us this year with this in view. Your Committee would further recommend that we use the Convention Series pubiished at Nashville, purchased at the Book Store, Raleigh, N. C. That our Churches take one collection a year for the support of our general Sunday School work; and that all of our Sunday Schools give one collection a month to the support of our Thomasville Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. ALDERMAN,
A. C. PETERSON.

The report adopted with discussion.

On motion J. T. Albritton, N. B. Cobb and J. N. Tolar were appointed delegates to our Baptist State Convention and J. L. Stewart delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

J. D Larkins offered a resolution to appoint a Committee to sell the Warsaw High School property, &c. Said he offered resolution by request. J. M. Alderman offered a substitute to the effect that the Trustees make a deed of the property to the Warsaw Church on condition that the Church raise double the value of the present property to better repair and equip the school. J. L. Albritton moved to table both resolutions, which was ordered.

On motion of J. L. Albritton the Churches were called for pledges. See table.

Cash collection reported taken at the stand after the Missionary sermon $2.62 for Foreign Missions.

J. L. Albritton moved a vote of thanks to the Halisville Church and community for the splendid entertainment of the Association. Passed by a rising vote.

N. B. Cobb offered the following resolution, which passed:

Moved that the Treasurer be instructed to forward one fourth of the funds sent up for ministerial education to P. Smith, Treasurer of Students Aid Fund of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, at Louisville, Ky.

By motion of S. M. Carlton the Treasurer was instructed to pay out the money in his hands as indicated in report of Finance Committee.

J. N. Tolar submitted and read report on Woman's Work.

WOMAN'S WORK.

"The organized work of women and children is one of the greatest chapters in the new Acts of the Apostles," is the uttered conviction of a modern missionary enthusiast. No part of our work has had more seri-

ous difficulties to overcome or disastrous dangers to avoid than our women's work. In none has the guiding and over ruling wisdom of the Master been more apparent. Fourteen years of patient self-sacrificing toil have now put it where it deserves our hearty thanks and hearty commendation. More and more does it deserve to be remembered, that the basis of the work, viz: carrying into effect the recommendations of the three Boards, has been rightly adhered to, and every wish of these at the Convention has been their immediate pleasure. No change has been made in their methods. Their Christmas offerings for Foreign Missions, the work of prayer and self-denial for Home Missions, Children's Day for the Bible Fund of the Sunday School Board have met with larger responses in the Churches and Sunday Schools. Their Home Department for the reaching of those who do not or cannot attend missionary meetings or have no meetings to attend, is increasing its influence and gives bright prospects of broader usefulness Their relations with the organized work of colored women, now two years old, have been made more cordial and helpful. Thus our sisters are looking forward and striving toward the day when all the women and children of our Convention shall be a part of the agency toward the fulfillment of the great commission. The cash receipts throughout the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention for the year closing last May have been $54,776 23, an increase of $1,803.25 over last year, divided as follows: To the Foreign Board $34,787.17; to the Home Board $19,510 48; to the Sunday School Board $487.87; to the Church Building Loan Fund $1,000. In addition 495 boxes, valued at $33,550, have been sent to such missionaries of the Home Board and Colporters as have been suggested to them by the State Secretaries. All of this work has been done at the small cost of $30,141, furnished proportionately by the three Boards. In their ardent desire to hasten the day when our Lord shall see of the travel of His soul and be satisfied we offer to them hearty sympathy and bid for them a generous consideration.

The Women's Work of our State Convention is a part of the work of the Southern Convention and has headquarters at Raleigh under the supervision of Miss Fannie E. Heck. We commend this work to all of the sisters in the State and urge them to actively identify themselves with this great work at once. We urge upon the sisters of this Association more general and active sympathy in this movement blessed of God so much in recent years and filled with such bright promise for the future.

J. N. TOLAR, for Committee.

The report was adopted.

The business of the session being finished the Moderator asked J. T. Albritton to take charge of the closing exercises. The Association adjourned to meet in Rose Hill on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1903.

Prayer and benediction by J. T. Albritton.

J. L. STEWART Moderator.

A. R. HERRING, Clerk.

PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Total.
Alum Springs								
Bethel	15.00	2.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	2 00	2.00	36.50
Beulah		2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1 00	1.00	8.00
Boykin's Chapel								
Bowden's								
Bear Marsh	10.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	28.00
Clinton	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10 00	5 00	55.00
Concord	5.00					5.00		10 00
Corinth	10.00	3.00	8.00	5.00	5.00		5.00	36 00
Dobson's Chapel	25.00		5.00	5.00	2.50		2.50	40.00
Ebenezer								
Hallsville	10.00		4.00	3 00	5.00		3.00	25.00
Island Creek	15.00	5.00	10.00	5 00	5.00	2.00	3.00	45.00
Ivanhoe		5 00		5.00	5.00			15.00
Johnson's	25.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	54.00
Kenansville	7.00	3 00	5.00	2.00	2.00			19.00
Lisbon	10.00		3.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	25.00
Mt. Zion								
Mapel Hill		1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	1.00		7.00
Mary's Chapel	2.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	12.00
Mt. Gilead	4.00		2.00		2.00		2.00	10.00
Mt. Olive	25 00	10 00	15 00	15.00	15.00	8.00	7.00	95.00
Magnolia								
New Hope	25.00		3.00		15.00	3.00	3.00	49.00
Piney Grove								
Poplar Grove								
Rose Hill	2.00							2.00
Sharon	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2 00			7.00
Siloam	5.00		2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	13.00
Springvale	2.00	2 00	1.50		2 00	1.50	1.00	10.00
Warsaw	15.00	10.00	5 00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	60.00
Faison's								
Totals	219.00	59.50	91.50	93.00	106.50	45.50	46.50	661.50

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Poor.	Other Objects	Minute Fund.	Pastors Salary.	Improvements.	Other Church Expenses.	Bap. Female University.	Gospel Missions.	Totals.	Present Indebtness.	Value of Church Property
Alum Springs.	1.00	.. ..	....	....	...	. ..	....	....	....	1.00	.....	....	.....	.....	....	2.00	.....	.....
Bethel.....	....	. . .	. . .	....	...	....	....	..	....	.	.....	.....	.....	.....	. ...	.....	.....	.....
Beulah.....	....	3.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	....	....	1.32	75.00	150.00	1.50	.....	.....	238.82	.....	500.00
BoykinsChapel	...	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	50	50	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	. ....	.....	5.00	.. ...	. ....
Bowdens	....	75	75	75	....	65	..	....	...	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.15	.....	.....
Bear Marsh....	....	6 85	4.88	5.85	4 00	2.52	1.00	...	1.50	....	100.00	....	... ..	.....	.....	126.60	550 00	1500.00
Clinton..	....	17.75	10.00	16.10	13.55	9.95	10 85	....	....	2.15	400.00	25.00	50.00	.....	.....	555.35	. ....	.....
Concord	....	3.00	1.00	37	3.00	...	2.00	10.00	....	1.00	72.00	.....	.....	.....	32,57	124.94	.....	500.00
Corinth.....	....	10.00	8.00	8.00	5.00	4.46	7.36	....	10.15	..	150.00	.....	.....	28.00	...	230.97	.....	.....
DobsonsChap'l	....	10.00	6.00	5.00	3.50	2.50	....	....	....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27.45	.....	.....
Ebenezer.....	...	2.81	81	1.07	1.75	....	81	....	...	33	46.00	.....	.....	7.50	.....	61.08	.....	200.00
Faisons.....	....	..	..	....	....	...	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ...	.....
Hallsville.....	....	5.80	1.00	1.67	8.29	....	2.00	2.00	25.16	1.15	60 00	.....	... ..	.....	5.00	112.07	.....	400.00
Island Creek	...	15.00	10.00	5.32	5.00	....	5.00	....	22.70	1.07	125.00	.....	. ...	.....	.. ..	189.09	.....	.....
Ivanhoe.....	....	8.08	1.40	5.69	5.15	1.10	2.20	..	1.10	1.10	140.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	165.82	.....	500.00
Johnson's.....	....	18.30	16.67	13.89	33.33	6.25	7.10	25.00	....	1.50	148.00	.....	.....	49.78	5.00	320.81	.....	.....
Kenansville..	....	5.00	5.75	5.00	.....	.....	.....	...	....	1.00	125.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	141.75	.....	1000.00
Lisbon.....	....	12,62	3.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	....	....	1.00	100.00	.....	.....	....	30.15	159.77	... ..	800.00
Mount Zion....	....	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maple Hill....	...	2.00	1.00	....	2.00	1.60	..	....	...	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.25	.....	400.00
Mary's Chapel	....	3.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	...	...	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.30	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead	....	1.32	1.92	....	2.40		1.86	3.15	8 00	1.00	125.00	.....	.....	.....	24.00	168.65	.....	900.00
Mount Olive	....	19.75	21.25	18.95	10.52	3.00	3.00	....	82.75	....	400.00	... ..	400.00	30.25	.....	989.47	.. ..	1400.00

Magnolia.....	....	1.25	1.25	1.25	4.96	....	....	....	...	1.50	100.00	.....	.....	.....	1,25	111.46	.....	800.00
New Hope.....	...	15.00	3.00	...	15.00	3.02	3.00	10.00	....	1.00	100.00	.....	.....	....	60.00	210.02	.....	.....
Piney Grove..	..	....	....	....	....	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Poplar Grove..	..	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	....	....	....	....	50	60.00	.....	.....	...	.. ...	70.50	.....	350.00
Rose Hill..	....	2.95	2.89	1.22	2.10	1.78	1.70	. ..	14.94	1.03	40.00	....	2.25	.....	.....	293.86	.. ...	800.00
Sharon	....	....	....	....	.. .	...	....	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Siloam.... ..	....	5.00	2.00	3.00	....	1.00	1.25	....	...	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.25	.....	.....
Springvale....	....	2.30	1.50	1.50	4.75	1.50	1.00	....	....	55	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	73.10	.....	700.00
Teachey's.....	....	3.00	2.38	3.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	10.00	....	...	.....	.....	29.00	.....	23.59	77.97	.. ...	1250.00
Warsaw	....	25.00	5.47	15.60	10.00	5.72	6.70	50.00	10.12	1.88	300.00	.....	95.00	.....	.....	525.49	.....	.....
Well's Chapel	. ..	6.46	....	1.45	11.25	...	1.64	...	16.00	....	.....	....	. ....	.....	429.37	466.17	.....	.....
Bear Branch..		....	1.00	60	50	...	....	...	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	... .	2.10	.....	.....
	1.00	209.49	120.42	128.88	128.54	52.95	63.97	110.15	187.42	22.33	3353.80	175.00	949.00	115.53	620.93		550.00	1180000

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	ADDITIONS			LOSSES.			MEMBERSHIP.			ORDAINED MINISTERS.	LICENTIATES.
	Baptisms.	Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Died.	Letter.	Male.	Female.	Totals.		
Alum Springs							3	3	6		
Bear Branch	3						26	25	51		
Bethel											
Beulah			1	1	1	16	42	61	103		
Boykins Chapel					1	4	40	41	81		
Bowdens				1			9	24	33		
Bear Marsh	19	4	2	2	2	2	47	83	130	J. T. Albritton, J. D. Larkins, L. M. Hobbs.	
Clinton	18	16			4	8	102	136	238	J. L. Stewart, O. P. Weeks.	
Concord	1				2	4	22	37	59		
Corinth	7	3			3	4	72	82	154		
Dobsons Chapel	9	3	1	1	2	1	48	47	95		
Ebenezer	2		1	1		1	20	21	41		
Faisons		15					9	9	18		
Hallsville	3	1			3	2	43	84	127		
Island Creek	31	2	1	6		2	84	145	229		
Ivanhoe						2	35	51	86		
Johnson's	4	4		3	3	16	66	71	137		
Kenansville	1				2	7	27	52	79		

Lisbon	7	1	....	3	2	1	52	48	100		
Mt. Zion	....		...			.....					
Maple Hill	.....		.....	...	1		15	23	38		
Mary's Chapel	.....			2	.....	....	16	32	48		
Mt. Gilead	20	1	1	1	1	9	65	98	163	.....	C. T. Tew.
Mt. Olive	14	2	..	...	2	2	66	100	166		
Magnolia	.....	7		2	2	2	40	93	133		
New Hope	..	...	.	6	4	14	87	114	201	W. B. Rivenbark.	
Piney Grove	.....	.....	...	.	.....	....					
Poplar Grove	2	....		58		7	16	22	38		
Rose Hill	.....	7	....	....		3	12	19	31		
Sharon	....		...								
Siloam	.....	1	....	2	1	11	52	59	111		
Springvale	....	2	..	3	1		38	60	98		
Teachey's	6	17	3	1		1	61	75	136	L. B. Boney.	
Warsaw	1	2	1	12	2	15	61	97	158	A. L. Betts, L. R. Carroll.	

PASTORS AND CLERKS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	TIME OF MEETING.
Alum Springs	N. A. Shelly, Branch's Store	Gaston Kelly, Branch's Store	
Bethel	N. B. Cobb, Clear Run	Murray Ward, Joford	4th Sunday and Saturday before
Beulah	J. D. Larkins, Clinton	W. T. Britt, Turkey	2d Sunday and Saturday before
Boykins Chapel			
Bowden's	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw	U. S Loftin, Bowdens	2d Sunday
Bear Marsh	J. N. Tolar, Mt. Olive	Homer Brock, Mt Olive	3d Sunday
Clinton	J. D. Larkins, Clinton	A. B. Carroll, Clinton	1st and 3d Sunday
Concord	N B. Cobb, Clear Run	W. D. Wilkins, Nat. Wells	1st Sunday and Saturday before
Corinth	A. L Betts, Warsaw	B. F. Fussell, Teachey	3d Sunday
Dobson's Chapel	W. N. Johnson, Delway	J. M. Dobson, Kenansville	3d Sunday and Saturday before
Ebeneezer			
Faisons	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw	T. M. Smith, Faisons	1st Sunday
Hallsville	N. A. Shelly, Beulahville	J D. Brown, Cavenaugh	2d Sunday and Saturday before
Island Creek	J. N. Tolar Mt. Olive	J. H. Evans, Rose Hill	1st Sunday and Saturday before
Ivanhoe	J. A. Smith, Fair Bluff	C. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe	2d Sunday and Saturday before
Johnsons	A. L. Betts, Warsaw	L. Middleton, Warsaw	1st Sunday and Saturday before
Keenansville	W. N. Johnson, Delway	Jno. A. Gwin, Kenansville	4th Sunday and Saturday before
Lisbon	J. D. Larkins, Clinton	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	4th Sunday and Saturday before
Mt. Zion	N. B. Cobb, Clear Run	Harvey Devane, Kerr	3d Sunday
Maple Hill		J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	
Mary's Chapel	A. L. Betts, Warsaw	G. G. Best, Kenansville	
Mt. Gilead	J. M. Alderman	B. Matthis, Taylor's Bridge	4th Sunday and Saturday before
Mt. Olive	J. N. Tolar, Mt. Olive	S. A. Summerlin, Mt. Olive	2d and 4th Sunday
Magnolia	L. B. Boney, Wilmington	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	4th Sunday and Saturday before
New Hope	J. M. Alderman, Delway	G. N. Carroll, Turkey	2d Sunday and Saturday before
Piney Grove			
Poplar Grove	J. L. Shinn, Salemburg	J. N. Westbrook Faison	2d Sunday
Rose Hill	A. L Betts, Warsaw	N. C. Savage, Rose Hill	3d Sunday, P. M.
Sharon			
Siloam	J. M. Alderman, Delway	N. F. Highsmith, Harrell's Store	3d Sunday and Saturday before
Springvale	J. M. Alderman, Delway	A. F. Robinson, Ingold	1st Sunday and Saturday before
[illegible]	[illegible] Warsaw	H. G. Owen, Warsaw	2d and 4th Sunday

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	No. School.	Officers & Teachers	No. Pupils.	Av. Attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.
Bear Branch ..	W. R. Brinson, Montague..	1	8	34	20	9	2.50	. ..	
Beulah	Albert Britt. Turkey	1	7	30	25	12	5.00	....	
Bear Marsh....	D B. Brown. Mt. Olive	1	8	80	40	18	9.00	....	
Clinton	B. S. Garriss, Clinton	1	10	122	77	12	25 27	10 66	
Concord	W. D. Wilkins. Nat. Wells.	1	4	24	25	12	5.00	. ..	
Corinth ...	D. W Fussell, Rose Aill ..	1	6	71	52	12	17.00	....	
Dobson's Chapel	W. H. Murray, Xenia	1	4	44	22	12	4.00	....	
Ebenezer	R. Highsmith, Coharie	1	4	25	..	9	1.75	....	
Hallsville	O. W. Scott, Hallsville	1	4	58	20	12	2.40	..	
Island Creek ..	J. M. Brown, Rose Hill	1	4	40	..	..	.. ..	....	
Johnsons ...	W. H. Middleton, Warsaw..	1	7	50	..	12	12 59	16.96	2.50
Keenansville ..	Thad. Jones, Keenansville..	9	4	35	30	..	10·00	...	
Lisbon	D. L. Herring, Garland	1	6	49	25	12	9.00	2.00	
Rapie Hill ...	B. F. Powers, Rose Hill ...	1	5	45	20	9	....	.....	
Mt Gilead	E. C. Croom. Clinton	1	7	40	30	12	....	....	
Mt. Olive.....	S. A. Summerlin, Mt, Olive.	1	10	90	60	12	10.00	4.50	
Magnolia	H M. Swinson, Magnolia ..	1	7	70	60	12	30.00	....	
Ntw Hope	C. E. Daniel, Turkey	1	5	85	80	12	8.00	....	
Poplar Grove..	H. B Hatch, Faisons	1	3	40	15	8	3.00	....	
Siloam	....	1	2	30	30	12	....	....	
Springvale	A. F. Robinsen, Ingold	1	4	50	..	..	3.00	. ..	
Teacheys	A. F. Bland, Teachey	1	10	40	30	12	10.00	....	
Warsaw	S. M. Carlton, Warsaw ...	1	9	90	..	12	40.00	....	

SOCIETY CONTRIBUTIONS.

CHURCHES.	WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.						WIL. WORK'S.	
	Gospel Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Bap. Female University.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.
Clinton		3.60	12.20	4.16		10.00		
Johnsons	3.00	3.30	3.41	2.25	2.81		3.60	1.64
Mt. Olive		11.45	13.25	12 85				
Warsaw		13.10	11.53	13.07		10.50		

EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Sixtieth Annual Session 1903 Held with Rose Hill Church

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

ROSE HILL BAPTIST CHURCH,

Duplin County, N C.,

OCTOBER 6, 7, 8, 1903.

For Next Session:

Place of Meeting, New Hope, Sampson County.
Time: Tuesday after the first Sunday in October 1904.
Introductory Sermon, Rev. W. N. Johnson.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator—J. L. Stewart,.....Clinton, N. C.
Clerk—A. R. Herring,.....Delway, N. C.
Treasurer—C. E. Daniel.....Turkey, N. C.

Executive Committee.

C. E. Daniel, W. H. Murray,
W. H. Middleton, J. A. Powell,
L. Middleton.

Trustees Warsaw High School.

O. P. Middleton, DeLeon Carlton, L. R. Carroll,
Matt O. Summerlin, J. L. Stewart, Leonidas Middleton,
C. E. Daniel, J. C. Williams, Thad Jones,
Preston Stevens, A. R. Herring, Henry Herring,
H. S. Boyette, J. A. Powell, H. G. Owen,
Seth Strickland, A. W. Weeks, Buck Blackmore,
Geo. W. Albritton.

Executive Committee Warsaw School.

O. P. Middleton, H. Gowen,
L. R. Carroll, S. M. Carlton,
DeLeon Carlton, J. A. Powell,
C. E. Daniel, B. L. Blackmore.

Ministers.

J. L. Stewart, J. T. Albritton,
N. B. Cobb, J. D. Huffham,
J. D. Larkins, J. M. Alderman,
W. N. Johnson, J. N. Tolar,
R. C. Sandlin, C. F. Hopper,
W. A. Melvin, N. A. Shelly,
T. J. Baker, L. M. Hobbs,
L. R. Carroll, J. A. Smith,

Ministers Present This Session.

J. L. Stewart, J. T. Albritton,
N. B. Cobb, R. C. Sandlin,
J. M. Alderman, J. N. Tolar,
W. N. Johnson, N. A. Shelly,
Livington Johnson, J. B. Boone,
E. J. Edwards, J. M. Page,
L. R. Carroll, J. D. Huffham.

CHURCH COVENANT:

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Saviour—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and principles of God's word.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be denominated and known as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in conference.

Art. 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the church; Provided, however, that when any church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertence the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session, and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body, take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, that our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee in order that said committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe Gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be amendeded at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a chairman pro tem shall be elected.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.

3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily sessions read.

4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.

5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer. He shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission.

7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.

8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.

9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.

10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.

11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without the permission of the Association, and if any shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.

12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.

13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.

14. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
2. Election of officers.
3. Call for petitionary letters.
4. Appointment of committees.
5. Appointment of corresponding delegates.
6. Reports of standing committees.
7. Reports of other committees.
8. Report of Treasurer.
9. Miscellaneous business.
10. Incidental and routine business shall be in order at any time.
11. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

ROSE HILL, N. C., Oct. 6, 1903.

The Eastern Association met this day in its sixtieth annual session, in the meeting house of the Rose Hill Baptist church The Introductory Sermon was preached by J. L. Stewart, Clinton, N. C. Text: John iii: 5, after which a recess was taken for one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:30 p. m. the Association met. The Moderator read the 19th Psalm. L. R. Carroll led in prayer. The Association was then called to order by J. L. Stewart.

On motion, C. E. Daniel, Moderator, appointed Finance Committee, consisting of Brethren Maury Ward, A. F. Robinson, J. T. Kennedy. Thad Jones and C. E. Daniel, reading clerks. The roll of churches was then called and the delegates enrolled as follows:

Alum Springs—Letter.

Bethel—Maury Ward, E. N. Johnson, E. S. Register.

Beulah—W. J. Moore.

Boykin's Chapel—W. W. Hobbs, O. L. Herring.

Bowden's—Letter.

Bear Marsh—J. T. Albritton, D. B. Brown, J. F. Bunham.

Clinton—J. L. Stewart, Henry Herring, J. E. Berges.

Concord—W. J. Matthews, J. H. Alderman, W. A. Moore.

Corinth—D. W. Fussell, A. D. Rogers, I. D. Johnson.

Dobson's Chapel—W. H. Murray, O. D. Bostic, Rom Bland.

Ebenezer—J. E. Highsmith.

Faison's—V. N. Sewell, J. C. Hines, W. B. Hargrove.

Hallsville—J. D. Brown, David Berton, Enoch Wilson.

Island Creek—J. H. Evans, Enoch Rouse, Stewart Wells.

Ivanhoe—C. R. Corbett.

Johnson's—W. H. Middleton, M. J. Carlton, L. Middleton.

Kenansville—Bland Wallace, Thad Jones.

Lisbon—J. O. Herring.

Mount Zion—Letter.

Mount Gilead—A. C. Peterson, B. Matthews, Ransom Vann.

Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn, E. G. Raynor, T. B. Fisher.

Mt. Olive—B. A. Summerlin, O. Summerlin.

Magnolia—Theodore Middleton, W. W. Cook, G. M. Kelly.

New Hope—C. E. Daniel, J. T. Kennedy, J. J. Blanchard.

Piney Grove—J. E. Boyette, C. E. Hare.

Poplar Grove—L. D. Rogers, B. H. Hatcher.

Rose Hill—W. B. Hawes, W. D. Henderson, P. Rich.

Rowan—J. M. Boon.

Sharon—Z. J. Blanchard, W. D. Brock.

Siloam—A. L. Jones, W. P. Vann, W. P. Ward.

Springvale—A. F. Robinson, E. F. Register.

Warsaw—I. Brown, B. L. Blackmore, H. G. Owen.

The election of officers being in order, on motion C. E. Daniel, the Clerk, was instructed to cast the ballot of the Association for J. L. Stewart, Moderator. On motion, the Moderator was instructed to cast the vote of the Arsociation for A. R. Herring for Clerk, and the Clerk was instructed to cast the vote for C. E. Daniel for Treasurer.

On the call for prtitionary letters an application from Rowan church was received for membership into this body. On motion, the Rowan church was received as a member of this body. The Moderator extended the hand of Christian fellowship and welcome to the delegate from said church.

On motion, J. T. Albritton, Moderator, appointed a committee on Devotional Exercises (the pastor and deacons of this church) with W. H. Murray and A. A. Brown added.

On motion, C. E. Daniel, the Moderator, appointed the following committees:

State Missions—J. T. Albritton, E. N. Johnson, W. J. Moore.

Home Missions—R. C. Sandlin, D. B. Brown, J. H. Alderman.

Foreign Missions—L. R. Carroll, Henry Herring, W. W. Cook.

Orphanage—W. N. Johnson, D. W. Fussell, Bland Wallace.

Ministerial Education—J. N. Tolar, J. E. Highsmith. J. O. Herring.

Periodicals—N. B. Cobb, Stewart Wells, C. C. Corbett.

Sunday Schools—E. J. Edwards, I. D. Johnson, Chaney Harrell.

Ministers' Relief—V. N. Sewell, I. D. Johnson, B. A. Summerlin.

Woman's Work—J. M. Alderman, M. J. Carlton, J. E. Boyette.

To Nominate Executive Committee—W. B. Hawes, B. Matthews, O. Summerlin.

B. Y. P. U.—N. A. Shelly, Isaac Brown, W. D. Brock.

Denominational Institutions—Thad Jones, W. H. Murray, I. Brown.

To Nominate Preachers—W. H. Middleton, D. H. Marshburn, W. D. Kelly.

A request from Rose Hill church, to the effect that the Association do not hold an evening session in this church Wednesday night, as they desired to dedicate the church to the worship and service of God, was granted.

The committee on devotional exercises report preaching Tuesday night 7:30—E. J. Edwards.

Devotional exercises Wednesday morning at 9:30—J. M. Alderman.

Dedication sermon Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., by J. D. Hufham.

Thursday, 11 a. m., preaching at the M. E. church by N. B. Cobb.

Motion by W. N. Johnson that the missionary sermon be preached at the M. E. chuch at 2:30 p. m. was amended by N. B. Cobb to strike out the M. E. church at 2:30 p. m. and substitute the Baptist church at 11 a. m. Wednesday. So ordered.

Motion by W. N. Johnson to appoint a committee on dijest of church letters be made permanent in our order of business. The motion prevailed.

After the benediction by R. C. Sandlin the Association adjourned 'till 9:30 Wednesday.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Devotional exercises were condutced by J. M. Alderman at 9:30 a. m. At 10 the Moderator called the Association to order. The roll of delegates was called and the minutes of the preceding day read and approved.

Visiting brethren were asked to report themselves. E.

J. Edwards, representing the Biblical Recorder and J. M. Page, the North Carolina Baptist, responded and were welcomed by the Moderator to seats with us.

SPECIAL ORDER.—Reports of Executive Committee, together with the report on State missions was taken up.

The report of the Executive Committee was submitted and read by C. E. Daniel. The report on State missions by J. T. Albritton.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Our efforts in this department of our Master's kingdom have not been in vain. God has promised to bless His Word when faithfully presented.

Our Missionary, Brother N. A. Shelly, has served seven churches and mission points, viz.: Hallsville, Sharon, Alum Springs, Cedar Fork, Maple Hill, Beulahville and Burton School House. He preached 110 sermons, baptized 8, four awaiting baptism and organized one Sunday school.

The contributions on the mission field have been as follows:

Collections for the various mission objects	$ 46.00
For salary of missionary	70.00
For house of worship at Cedar Fork	45.00
For house of worship at Maple Hill	150.00
Total	$311.00

Brethren J. M. Alderman, J. N. Tolar and W. N. Johnson have aided Brother Shelly in meetings on the field during the year. We must have two men on the field; the Master has commanded us to go forward. Will we obey?

C. E. DANIEL, Chairman of Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSONS.

Your committee are glad to report that the State mission work, under the guidance of brother Livingston Johnson, our Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, is moving gradually forward. We know no object more worthy of our our hearty sympathy and co-operation. According to Article 9th, of our constitution, our Executive Committee are required to co-operate with the State Mission Board so far as is practicable in supplying the destitution within our bounds. Many associations in the State are thus

engaged in this co-operative work with the State Mission Board.

Let us encourage our hard-worked brother Johnson by increasing our contributions for the support of our own missionaries at home, and the one hundred or more missionaries in the employ of the State Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. T. ALBRITTON, chairman.
W. J. MOORE.
E. N. JOHNSON.

Pending the adoption of reports brethren N. A. Shelly, J. N. Tolar spoke to report.

On motion, J. T. Albritton that part of reports relating to State missions entirely was postponed till Thursday morning. At this juncture the Association suspended for the missionary sermon by J. N. Tolar. L. R. Carroll read report on Foreign Missions.

Motion by J. T Albritton to take a cash collection at the close of sermon and divide equally between Foreign and Associational Missions, was carried.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSION.

God is the author of missions. He started this work because He loved the world. He gave His Son, and afterwards His Spirit. He calls all who loves Him to the work of giving the Gospel in all the world, to every creature. The difficulties being very great, Christ promised His power and presence, and this like God's covenant with Noah, He has ever kept. As the result of the labors of our missionaries fully testify. The Foreign Mission Board composed of twenty-one faithful and consecrated brethren who live in Richmond, Va., is simply a committee appointed every year by the churches through their representatives in the Southern Baptist Convention. It makes an annual report to the Convention, besides keeping in touch with the brethren through the religious papers and the Foreign Mission Journal. The object is to look after the Lord's work. Its one business is the business of the Lord Jesus. It has no authority or power except that confered upon it by his churches, and it goes forward or stands still according to their interest and direction. We have missionaries in China, Africa, Japan, Mexico, Italy, and Brazil. The number has grown so that on June 1st, 1903, we see 129 with 3 more under ap-

pointment, who expect to go soon to their fields of labor. Glorious reports have come from our mission fields. Our people at home seem interested, and are praying, talking, giving; so that we hope to report at our next Convention in Nashville, Tenn., in May, the very best year in all our history. Let us make it the best for the glory of God.

L. R. Carroll,
Henry Herring,
W. W. Cook.

J. N. Tolar then proceeded to announce his text Mat. 29--9. N. B. Cobb preaches at the M. E. church. The collection amounted to $17.00. The report on Foreign Missions was adopted.

On motion, the further consideration of the report on State mission, was postponed till after the dinner hour.

Report of Auditing committee read by Thad Jones.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

State Missions	$144.03
Home Missions	85.91
Foreign Missions	75.60
Orphanage	85.05
Ministerial Education	30.92
Ministerial Relief	44.49
Minute Fund	35.83
Gospel Missions	11.25
Woman's Missionary Society	1.20
Unknown	86
Total	$515.14

DISBURSEMENTS.

State Missions	$144.03
Home Missions	85.91
Foreign Mission	75.60
Orphanage	85.05
Ministerial Education	30.92
Mlnisterial Relief	44.49
Minute Fund	35.83
Gospel Mission	11.25
Woman's Missionary Society	1.20
Unkown Objects	85
Total	$515.14

W. H. Middleton, Treasurer.

We the undersigned committee to audit the Treasurer's account have done so, and find it correct. We also recommend that the Treasurer be allowed 50 cents for express charges. Respectfully submitted,

THAD JONES,
B. L. BLACKMORE, Committee.
W. J. FRYAR.

The reports were adopted.

On motion, J. L. Albritton, the vote by which the report of Executive Committee was postponed, was reconsidered, and its consideration resumed, and spoken to by W. N. Johnson, J. M. Alderman, J. D. Hufham.

W. N. Johnson moved an amendment to strike out 2 and insert to keep one man in the field.

On motion of J. N. Tolar, the Association adjourned one hour for dinner.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the appointed time the Moderator called the Association to order.

J. T. Albritton moved a substitute to the report to strike out the words two men and substitute the words we need two men.

On motion of J. T. Albritton, the list of churchea was called and pledges taken for Associational missions, which will appear in table. The report as amended by J. T. Albritton was adopted. The Moderator invites Mr. Bobbie Williams and Lucian Wells, of the Presbyterian ministry to seats on the floor with its privileges except that of voting.

Report on Periodicals submitted and read by N.B. Cobb.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

With the multiplicity of papers now published by our Baptist brethren in North Carolina, at various prices from 25 cents to $1.50 each, no Baptist family need be without a religious newspaper. The Biblical Recorder which has been the organ of the Baptist State Convention, has a present subscription list of over 7,000, and hopes to obtain at least 10,000 per annum. The North Carolina Baptist printed at $1.00 a year has also a wide circulation. Charity and Children published at $1.00 a year is the organ of the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, and has attained a very wide circulation among the churches and Sunday schools. There are other smaller monthly publications in various sections representing schools and associations which have a local patron-

age of their own. We would specially commend the organs of our general denominational work including the publications of the three boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.

N. B. Cobb,
Stewart Wells.

N. B. Cobb, E. J. Edwards, J. M. Alderman and W. N. Johnson, spoke to the report. The report was adoptad.

Report on Home Missions submitted and read by R. C. Sandlin.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Home missions claims our attention to-day as never before, because of the great advancement in manufacturing in our midst. The Home Mission work appeals to us because our kinsmen are moving into the undeveloped portions of the Southern States, and are building new communities and towns. Our Home Board is working in nearly all the Southern and Western States and territories. The increase of money and men this year, only calls for more men and money for another year. R. C. Sandlin, for Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

Final leave of absence was granted D. W. Berton.

Report on Ministerial Education was submitted and read by J. N. Tolar.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

At Wake Eorest College is located the Board of Ministerial Education of the Baptist State Convention of North Carlina. Prof. W. R. Cullom is the Secretary of the Board. About forty young men are now at Wake Forest preparing for efficient work, supported in part by its Board. This Board is supported entirely by voluntary contributions from the Baptists of North Carolina. We urge enlarged contributions.

The Student's Aid Fund of our Theological Seminary, at Louisville, Ky., should also receive our hearty co-operation and support. Believing that it is always better, when possible, that our ministers attend the Seminary, we commend enlarged interest and contributions for this object of our work.

Respectfully,

J. N. Tolar,
J. E. Highsmith,
J. O. Herring.

Pending the adoption of the report, the Association was addressed by J. N. Tolar and J. M. Alderman.

The report was adopted.

Report on Educational Institutions was submitted and read by Thad Jones.

REPORT ON DENOMINATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Our subject is a great and important one; and great because it takes in our schools and colleges, Orphanage and churches as well. Important, because not only the destiny of our churches, but our government also depends upon it. We cannot hope in this short report to give anything more than a few suggestions, but we trust that the Association will thoroughly discuss this great subject. The State is, and should be, in the ascendency in Primary Education, and the religious denominations should do their part in controlling and supporting the High Schools and colleges. As Missionary Baptists, we should not only love and support Wake Forest College and the Baptist Female University, at Raleigh, N. C., and the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., but we should be more interested in preparatory High Schools, for the individuals life is not only influenced, but shaped in a large degree by the preparatory schools. We therefore take pleasure in pointing to the High School at Warsaw, N. C., the property of this Association, which is now progressing fairly well under the able management of Prof. Ernest Gore, and most earnestly suggest that this Association liberally support this school with their patronage, and make this school fulfill the mission for which it was established. And we further recommend that this Association not only keep this school property, but suggest that we make such needed repairs as are needed for the success of said school. We earnestly urge this Association to put more effort and money into the High School work, and the general education of our people. We regret we are forced to admit the lack of effort and interest of our denomination in supporting and maintaining our Associational schools.

THAD JONES, for Committee.

Pending the adoption of this report Thad Jones and J. D. Hufham spoke to the report. The report was adopted.

The report of Trustees was submitted and read by L. R.

Carroll and discussed by J. D. Hufham and W. N. Johnson. Two questions were submitted:

1. Shall the Association keep the property? Yeas, 32; nays, 14.

2. Shall we enlarge the institution? Yeas, 22.

The report was adopted.

On motion of J. D. Hufham the following brethren were appointed on the Board of Trustees of Warsaw High School: O. P. Middleton, DeLeon Carlton, L. R. Carroll, Matt. O. Summerlin, J. L. Stewart, Leonidas Middleton, C. E. Daniel, J. C. Williams, Thad Jones, Preston Stevens, A. R. Herring, Henry Herring, H. S. Boyette, J. A. Powell, H. G. Owen, Seth Strickland, Arthur Weeks, Geo. W. Albritton, Buck Blackmore.

The Executive Committee of Warsaw High School—O. P. Middleton, H. G. Owen, L. R. Carroll, S. M. Carlton, DeLeon Carlton, J. A. Powell, Buck Blackmore, C. E. Daniel.

PEPORT OF TRUSTEES WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

Your Trustees beg leave to report that the Fall term of said school has opened under very favorable conditions. Having secured the services of Mr. Ernest Gore, of Wake Forest, a young man, and a member of one of the most successful families of Wilmington, with an efficient corps of of assistant teachers, the outlook is again encouraging. We cheerfully commend this institution to your prayerful consideration. Respectfully submitted,

S. M. Carlton, Chairman Board Trustees.

The report was adopted.

On motion, J. M. Alderman, the Treasurer, was ordered to pay out the money in his hands as indicated in report of Finance Committee.

Report of Committee as submitted by Maury Ward.—Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report the following amounts for the several objects as having been sent with the church letters to this session of the Association, received into the hands of the Committee, paid over to the Treasurer, and his receipt taken therefor.

Associational Missions	$ 112.08
State Missions	43.81
Home Missions	57.44
Foreign Missions	67.49
Sunday Schools	77
Gospel Missions	1.50
Ministerial Relief	38.40
Ministerial Education	21.57
Orphanage	72.76
Baptist Female University	87
Minute Fund	37.05
Total	$ 453.74

J. T. KENNEDY,
A. F. ROBINSON,
MAURY WARD,
Finance Committee.

$453.74.

Received of J. T. Kennedy, A. F. Robinson and Maury Ward, Finance Committee of the Eastern Assoliation, Four Hundred and Fifty-three and 74100 Dollars to be disbursed as follows: Associational Missions, $112.08; State Missions, $43.80; Home Missions, $57.44; Foreign Missions, $67.49; Sunday Schools, 77 cents; Gospel Missions, $1.50; Ministerial Relief, $38.40; Ministerial Education, $21.57; Orphanage, $72.76; Baptist Female University, 87 cents; Minute Fund, $37.05.

C. E. DANIEL,
Rose Hill, N. C., Oct. 7, 1903. Treasurer.

The report was adopted. Jeremiah Highsmith was granted leave of absence. Final leave of absence was granted the delegates from Maple Hill—V. N Seawell and Thad Jones.

On motion of J. T. Albritton, Aarticle 13 of the Constitution was amended by striking out the words "and a missionary sermon." Report of committee on devotional exercises: At 9 a. m. Thursday B. Matthews will conduct devotional exercises. The Association then adjourned. Benediction by J. M. Alderman.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by B. Matthews at 9 a. m. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:30. The roll of delegates was called and the proceedings of the previous day's session were read and approved. Visiting brethren were invited to report themselves. Livingston Johnson,

Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, reported himself. J. B. Boone, General Manager of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, responded. The Moderator extended to the brethren a cordial welcome. J. L. Stewart, Moderator, was excused by vote of the Association for the balance of the session. On motion of J. D. Hufham, N. B. Cobb was elected Moderator pro tem. Special order: Report on State Missions was called and Livingston Johnson addressed the Association. The report was adopted. The report on the Orphanage was submitted and read by W. N. Johnson.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

No institution which the Lord has led the Baptists of North Carolina to establish is growing faster than our Orphanage at Thomasville. We have a precious Father in Heaven, and the Orphanage is an expression of the desire of God's people to become father to the fatherless. It seems that the Lord is putting it into the heart of the more wealthy brethren to prepare buildings for our unfortunate children, and now the sweet task of feeding and clothing them is falling more heavily each year upon the rank and file of our people. We urge that as many churches and Sunday schools as possible take upon themselves the support of one or more children at Thomasville.

W. N. Johnson,
D. W. Fussell,
B. Wallace,
Committee.

J. B. Boone, General Manager, spoke for a short while to the report and the report was adopted.

The report on Woman's Work was next submitted and read by J M. Alderman.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Your committee is able to report that in seven or eight churches of this Association the women and children are well organized for a work they feel impressed to do.

We find that these societies, this year, contributed $212 for the various objects of our work Our Vice-President, Miss Florence Hubbard, of Clinton, N. C., has written the pastors, or some one of our churches not having a society, for the names of good workers, among our sisters, that she may correspond with them, give them all the literature and information she can on the work and urge them to organize when practical. She also asks for a loyal support from the

pastors in this work. Your committee would recommend, therefore, that the pastors would give this support, and undertake to lead these efficient workers for the greatest usefulness and strength of our churches.

J. M. ALDERMAN, for Committee.

Pending the adoption of the report, J. M. Alderman, W. N. Johnson, W. H. Middleton and J. D. Hufham spoke to the report and it was adopted.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by L. R. Carroll.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We canuot give the number of our worn out ministers who are securing aid from our ministers' Relief Fund. We know the number is large and their needs great. We, therefore, urgently commend this work to our pastors and respectfully suggest that they take two collections a year in their churches for this object. V. N. SEAWELL.

J. M. Alderman and J. D. Hufham addressed the Association on this report. A cash collection was taken for the aged ministers amounting to $8.64 which amount, on motion, was ordered to be sent to the Minsisters' Relief Board at Durham, N. C. The report was adopted.

The committee to nominate preachers reported recommending W. N. Johnson to preach the introductory sermon. The report was adopted.

J. T. Kennedy, delegate from New Hope, invited the next session of this Association to meet with the New Hope Baptist church. On motion of J. D. Hufham, the Association will meet with New Hope church in 1904.

Motion by W. N. Johnson that the Moderator appoint a committee on corresponding delegates, and that the committee report at once. The committee reported as follows:

Delegates to Baptist State Convention—C. E. Daniel. J. J. M. Alderman, J. D. Hufham.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention—J. N. Tolar.

The report was adopted.

Resolution of thanks by J. N. Tolar:

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this body be extended to the people of this church and community for the hearty entertainment received by us from them, and to the Methodist brethren for the use of their church house.

This resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

Motion by J. D. Hufham that J. T. Albritton be asked

by the Association to gather the material and write a history of the chnrches and the Association. It was so ordered.

On motion by J. N. Tolar, W. N. Johnson was appointed to represent the Association on the State Board of Missions.

The business of this session having been completed the Association adjourned to meet with the New Hope Baptist church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1904.

J. T. Albritton led in prayer.

J. L. STEWART, Moderator.

A. R. HERRING, Clerk.

REPORT ON YOUNG PEOPLES' UNION.

The committee cheerfully recommend the organization of Young Peoples' Unions wherever considered practicable, but it is the opinion of the committee that the purpose and aims of said Unions are met and carried out through the Sunday schools and prayer meetings.

In view of the above fact we suggest this subject be dismissed for the present, but suggest the earnest encouragement of the effort to get all young people into some Christian organization. Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

This report was adopted.

This report was overlooked and hence not in its proper place.—CLERK.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bethel—N. B. Cobb, J. M. Alderman, W. N. Johnson.
Bear Marsh—J. T. Albritton.
Clinton—J. L. Stewart, J. D. Larkins, L. M. Hobbs.
Mout Gilead—C. T. Tew.
Mount Olive—C. F. Hopper.
New Hope—W. B Rivenbark.
Siloam—W. A. Melvin.

LICENTIATES.

Hallsville—D. Burton.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership		
	Baptisms	Letter	Restored	Excluded	Died	Letter	Males	Females	Total
Alum Springs..	...	..	...	...	..	1	3	3	6
Bethel.....	...	2	...	...	1	...	54	73	127
Beulah.....	...	1	1	1	..	2	41	60	101
Boykin's Chapel	...	2	...	...	..	...	40	40	80
Bowdens.....	...	..	...	...	..	...	....	....	....
Bear Marsh.....	5	4	2	2	4	6	43	73	116
Clinton	1	5	...	...	3	15	97	116	213
Concord.....	...	..	...	...	1	2	21	35	56
Corinth	...	..	...	...	4	3	70	77	147
Dobson's Chapel	...	..	...	1	.	3	44	47	91
Ebenezer...	...	.	...	...	..	..	20	21	41
Faisons	...	1	...	...	..	...	10	9	19
Hallsville	1	2	...	1	4	2	42	76	116
Island Creek....	29	..	...	4	1	...	....	....	....
Ivanhoe	1	9	...	1	..	31	27	36	63
Johnson's.....	8	7	1	1	2	...	71	79	150
Kenansville	1	2	...	...	2	2	26	53	79
Lisbon.....	...	..	1	...	..	1	49	40	89
Mount Z'on.....	...	..	...	...	..	...	14	16	30
Maple Hill.....	8	2	...	...	..	...	19	28	47
Mount Gilead...	...	1	...	5	4	6	61	91	152
Mount Olive....	18	9	...	3	..	3	....	....	....
Magnolia.....	...	4	1	1	2	2	40	97	137
New Hope.....	...	4	...	7	2	4	77	105	182
Piney Grove....	7	..	2	...	1	1	42	72	114
Poplar Grove...	3	..	...	...	2	...	15	25	40
Rose Hill.....	...	..	...	....	1	7	11	14	25
Sharon.....	7	..	...	...	2	...	24	43	67
Siloam.....	19	2	...	13	3	4	50	44	94
Springvale.....	1	..	...	...	..	...	37	59	96
Rowan.....	...	..	...	...	..	...	15	28	43
Warsaw...	...	3	...	...	3	13	59	95	154
	109	60	8	40	42	108	1122	1565	2669

CHURCHES.	PASTORS. POSTOFFICES	CLERKS and POSTOFFICES	Time Meeting
Alum Springs ..	N. A. Shelly, Beulahville. .	Gaston Kelly, Rranchs Store....	Third Sunday
Bethel..... ..	N. B. Cobb, Clear Run... .	Maury Ward, Rose Hill...	Fourth "
Beulah		W. T. Britt, Turkey.....	Second "
Boykin's Chapel		L. M. Boykin, Clinton.....	
Bowden's.....		W. S. Lottin, Bowdens	
Bear Marsh.....	T. J. Baker, Parkton.....	Homer Brock, Mt Olive.....	Third Sunday
Clinton.....		A. B. Carroll, Clinton.....	1st & 3d "
Concord.....	N. B. Cobb, Garland..	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia.....	First "
Corinth.....	J. N. Tolar, Mount Olive...	B. F. Fussell, Teachys.....	Third "
Dobson's Chapel	W. N. Johnson, Delway....	J. M. Dobson, Kenansville....	Third "
Ebenezer	L. M. Hobbs, Clinton.....	R. Highsmith, Coharie.....	Third "
Faisons....	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw....	F. W. Smith, Faison's.	Third "
Hallsville.	N. A. Shelly, Beulahville..	J. J. Strickland, Halisville....	Second "
Island Creek....	J. N. Tolar, Mount Olive...	J. H. Evans, Rose Hill.....	First "
Ivanhoe	J. A. Smith, Wilmington..	C. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe..... ..	Third "
Johnson..... ...	W. N. Johnson, Delway....	L. Middleton, Warsaw.	First "
Kenansville.....	W. N. Johnson, Delway....	John A. Gavin, Kenansville....	Fourth "
Lisbon.		W. B. Lamb, Ingold...	Fourth "
Mount Zion.....			
Maple Hill.....	N. A. Shelly, Hallsville....	J R. Marshburn, Maple Hill....	Third Sunday
Mount Gilead...	J. M. Alderman, Delway....	B. Matthews, Taylor's Brdg....	Fourth "
Mount Olive....	J. N. Tolar, Mount Olive..	B. A. Summerlin, Mt. Olive....	
Magnolia.	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw ...	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia.....	Fourth "
New Hope.....	J M. Alderman, Delway..	John J. Best, Warsaw	Second "
Piney Grove....	J. L. Stewart, Clinton....	S. H. Hare, Clinton.....	Second "
Poplar Grove...	L. M. Hobbs, Clinton.....	J. W. Westbrook. Faison.....	Fourth "
Rose Hill.....	W. N. Johnson, Delway....	W. C. Savage, Rose Hill.....	Third "
Sharon.....	N. A. Shelly, Beulahville...	W. D. Brock, Cavenaugh.....	First "
Siloam.....	J. M. Alderman, Delway..	N.F. Highsmith, Harrell's Store	Third "
Springvale.	J. M. Alderman, Delway..	J. M. Marshburn, Clinton.....	First "
Rowan.		L. H. Best, Clinton.....	
Warsaw.....	J. D. Huffam, Warsaw....	H. G. Owen, Warsaw.....	

TAALE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Miss'ns	Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Gospel Missions	Orphanage	Minist'l Education	Minister's Relief	Total.
Alum Springs	....	*	....	.....	....	.....	...	.....	.....
Bethel	5 00	30 00	5 00	6 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	62 00
Beulah	....	2 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Boykin's Chapel	1 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	9 00
Bowdens	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bear Marsh	2 50	15 00	3 50	4 50	.....	6 00	2 50	2 50	36 50
Clinton	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	.....	10 00	5 00	5 00	60 00
Concord	1 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	15 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	32 00
Corinth	3 00	15 00	7 00	5 00	.....	5 00	2 00	5 00	42 00
Dobson's Chapel	....	25 00	5 00	5 00	.....	2 50	.....	2 50	40 00
Ebenezer	....	2 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Faison's	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hallsville	3 00	15 00	....	3 00	.....	5 00	3 00	.....	29 00
Island Creek	5 00	25 00	10 00	5 00	.....	5 00	2 00	5 00	57 00
Ivanhoe	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	25 00
Johnson's	5 00	30 00	5 00	10 00	.....	10 00	2 00	3 00	65 00
Kenansville	3 00	10 00	5 00	3 00	.....	3 00	.....	1 00	25 00
Lisbon	5 00	20 00	3 00	5 00	.....	5 00	1 00	1 00	40 00
Mount Zion	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Maple Hill	1 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	.....	2 00	1 00	1 00	11 00
Mount Gilead	....	10 00	....	.....	....	2 00	2 00	2 00	16 00
Mount Olive	15 00	30 00	15 00	15 00	.....	15 00	8 00	7 00	105 00
Magnolia	2 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	2 00	15 00
New Hope	....	25 00	3 00	.....	45 00	15 00	3 00	3 00	94 00
Piney Grove	3 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	.....	2 00	2 00	2 00	20 00
Poplar Grove	....	5 00	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Rose Hill	2 00	4 00	1 00	2 00	.....	2 00	2 00	2 00	15 00
Rowan	....	3 00	....	... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Sharon	1 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	9 00
Siloam	....	12 00	4 00	4 00	.....	4 00	2 00	2 00	28 00
Springvale	2 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	.....	2 00	1 00	1 00	16 00
Warsaw	5 00	25 00	2 50	10 00	.....	10 00	2 50	3 00	58 00
Totals	79 50	352 00	97 00	195 50	65 00	120 50	46 00	56 00	921 50

*Conditional

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.						SUNBEAMS.		
	State Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions	Missions.	Orphanage.	Total.
Clinton.....	7 25	40 15	3 60	.....	....	....	....	....	15 00
Johnson's....	4 25	2 75	4 47	.....	....	3 45	9 65	5 00	29 57
Warsaw.....	6 50	7 20	11 10	25 00	8 00	...	..	....	56 80

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Pastor's Salary.	Improvements.
Alum Springs	2 00			1 00		1 00					1 00		
Bethel	2 50	15 00	5 00	5 80	7 20	5 00	2 00	2 00		17 50	1 00		
Beulah	2 00		1 00	2 00		1 00	2 61	1 00			50	75 00	
Boykin's Chapel	3 04			4 02							50		
Bowdens	1 00		1 00	1 00		1 10							
Bear Marsh	4 88	10 25	3 03	4 00		6 63	3 95	2 00			1 50	160 00	
Clinton	5 00		13 80	10 00		10 00	3 98	5 00	12 50		1 50	400 00	
Concord		5 00	53		12 60	2 00		1 00		20 00	1 00	72 00	
Corinth	3 00	10 00	8 00	5 00		5 00		5 00	15 15		1 50	150 00	
Dobson's Chapel		25 00	5 00	5 00		2 50		2 50			78	100 00	
Ebenezer	1 60	61		1 16		86					25	36 00	
Faison's	1 00		1 00	2 50		2 50					75		
Hallsville		10 00	4 00	3 00		5 00	93	3 00			2 00	60 00	
Island Creek	15 00	25 00	12 50	10 00		12 50	5 00	5 00			2 00	126 00	40
Ivanhoe	6 07		6 07	6 39		5 94	70	75			50	120 00	
Johnson's	8 16	20 20	7 45	10 00		15 35	3 63	3 64	20 00	121 47	3 52	140 00	
Kenansville	3 00	7 00	6 00	2 00				2 00			1 00	125 00	
Lisbon		10 39	3 81	5 44	12 50	5 54	2 03	2 03			1 20	125 00	
Mount Zion	1 00		1 15	1 16				1 00					
Maple Hill	1 00		1 00	2 00		2 00	1 00				50		200
Mount Gilead		4 00	2 00		20 30	2 00	15 48	2 00			1 50	125 00	
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CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in Knowledge, Holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back-biting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the Spirit of this covenant and principles of God's word.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or Pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference.

Art. 4. The delegates from each Church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the Church; Provided, however, that when any Church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertance the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the Session of this body and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body, take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the Second Day of the Session. Further, that our Missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee in order that said committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body except that of voting.

Art. 12. The Annual Session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an Introductory Sermon of a denominational character.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a chairman pro-tem shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily Sessions read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of Association, and if any shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of committee on diest of church letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of officers.
5. Calling for petitionary letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Report of Special Committees.
10. Report of Treasurer.
11. Miscellaneous business.
12. Incidental and routine business shall be in order at any time.
13. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

New Hope, N. C., October 4th, 1904.

The Eastern Association met this day in its sixty-first annual session, in the meeting house of the New Hope Baptist Church, Sampson county, N. C. The Introductory Sermon was preached by W. N. Johnson, Delway, N. C., text Est. 1:14, after which a recess was taken for one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:45 P. M. the Association met. The Moderator read 127th Psalm. N. B. Cobb led in prayer. The Association was then called to order by J. L. Stewart. On motion of R. C. Sandling the Moderator appointed a Finance Committee consisting of Brethren W. J. Fryar, James Carlton and Maurey Ward. C. M. Beach and J. H. Booth reading Clerks.

The roll of churches was then called and delegates enrolled as follows:

Alum Springs—By letter.
Bethel—J. E. Williams, W. E. Johnson, J. E. Alderman.
Beulah—J. W. Waters, W. H. Chesnutt, J. B. West.
Boykin's Chapel—W. W. Hobbs, O. L. Herring, D. O. Hobbs.
Bowdens—
Bear Marsh—Homer Brock, J. T. Albritton.
Clinton—J. L. Stewart, J. E. Burgess, C. M. Rock.
Concord—D. D. Wells, J. T. Drew, W. D. Wilkins.
Corinth—S. E. Johnson, W. E. Fussell, J. G. Boon.
Dobson's Chapel—C. J. Bradshaw, Stephen Brock, J. B. Brinson.
Ebenezer—G. R. Highsmith, O. K. Vann, L. J. Rich.
Faisons—J. C. Hines, V. N. Seawell.
Hallsville—D. W. Burton, G. W. Bostic, J. G. Bostic.
Island Creek—J. H. Evans, B. R. Mallard, S. Wells.
Ivanhoe—C. C. Corbett, J. W. Gurganus.
Johnsons—H. D. Middleton, J. L. Carlton, J. A. Powell.
Kenansville—H. Dale, J. Stokes, J. W. Kornegay.
Lisbon—J. C. Lamb, Dallas Herring, A. R. Herring.
Maple Hill—By letter.
Mount Gilead—I. W. Powell, E. F. Faircloth, B. Mathis.
Mount Olive—B. A. Summerlin, D. K. Kornegay.
Magnolia—G. W. Carroll, J. R. Hollingsworth, H. M. Swinson.
New Hope—J. F. Williams, A. S. Drew, W. J. Herring.
Piney Grove—Blackman Hare.
Poplar Grove—L. D. Rodgers, J. W. Bell.
Rose Hill—W. C. Savage, P. Rich, P. D. Cook.
Sharon—Z. Blanchard, R. C. Seawell, W. Sheffield.
Siloam—S. H. Maynard, Eddie Harrell, Willie Pearcel.
Spring Vale—A. F. Robinson, L. F. Green, A. J. Mathis.
Rowan—
Warsaw—H. G. Owen, B. L. Blackmore, S. M. Carlton.
Delway—W. H. Hagwood, L. W. Alderman, R. L. Herring.

On motion the letters from Mount Olive, Lisbon and Hallsville were laid on the table.

Election of Officers being in order, by motion, the rules were suspended and W. N. Johnson was instructed to cast the vote of the Association for J. L. Stewart, Moderator; A. R. Herring, Clerk; C. E. Daniel, Treasurer. A. R. Herring tendered his resignation and A. F. Robinson was elected Clerk.

On motion of W. N. Johnson a committee was appointed on digest of church letters and that to be made second item in order of buisness.

On the call for petitionary letters a letter from Delway was presented, and referred to a committee consisiting of J. T. Albritton, N. B. Cobb and J. H. Booth. The committee reported and recommended the reception of the church, and on motion the Delway church was received in full fellowship of the Association and the right hand of welcome was extended by the Moderator.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

By motion the following committees were appointed by the Moderator.
State Missions—C. M. Rock, Homer Brock, C. C. Corbett.
Home Missions—N. B. Cobb, W. E. Johnson, D. D. Wells.
Foreign Missions—L. R. Carroll, B. L. Blackmore, F. C. Middleton.
Orphanage—R. C. Sandlin, J. G. Boon, W. C. Savage.
Ministerial Education—W. N. Johnson, B. A. Summerlin, R. C. Seawell.
Periodicals—J. S. Farmer, J. L. Carlton.
Sunday Schools—J. H. Booth, W. W. Hobbs, W. H. Kornegay.
Ministerial Relief—J. M. Alderman, J. H. Evans, B. Mathis.
Woman's Work—C. F. Hopper, C. E. Daniel, D. L. Herring.
To Nominate Executive Committee—G. W. Carroll, J. C. Hines, F. M. Carroll.
B. Y. P. U.—A. F. Robinson, H. G. Owen.
Digest of Church Letters—J. M. Alderman, W. H. Hagwood, W. H. Middleton.
To Nominate Delegates to Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention—W. N. Johnson, A. R. Herring, O. L. Herring, J. T. Kennedy.

On motion, the pastor and deacons of this church with W. H. Murray and L. Middelton were appointed by the Moderator as committee on devotional exercises.

The committee on devotional exercises reports: Devotional exercises to-morrow morning at 9:30 by J. H. Booth. The Association to meet at 10 o'clock.

On motion, the Association adjourned with benediction by J. T. Albritton.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. H. Booth at 9:30 A. M. At 10 o'clock the Moderator called the Association to order. The roll of delegates were called, and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Invitation was extended to visiting brethren. J. L. Shinn and Hight C. Moore reported themselves. Bro. Shinn who represents the N. C. Baptist and Bro. Moore, State Missions, and J. S. Farmer, of the Biblical Recorder, all of whom were welcomed by the Moderator and to seats with us.

Special order, reports of executive committee together with report on State Missions taken up. The report of the Executive Committee was submitted and read by C. E. Daniel, and State Missions was read by C. M. Rock.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Missions is life, anti-missions or omissions is death. The last command of our Master was: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." At our last Association your committee called Bro. N. A. Shelly to serve the churches at Hallsville, Sharon, Cedar Fork, and Maple Hill. Faithfully did he present the message till the Master in His wisdom, called him to final reward, on July the 6th, 1904. Since that time Brother J. H. Booth has been serving the above named churches. He has preached

32 sermons, organized one Sunday School, baptized 2 with 3 awaiting baptism. Brethren J. M. Alderman, J. A. Smith, and J. W. Wheeler have aided him in meetings on the field. Finally brethren we ask that the salary of Bro. Shelly be continued up to the Association.

Respectfully submitted,
C. E. DANIEL,
Chairman of Executive Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee are glad to report that the State Mission work under the management of our brother Livingston Johnson, our Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, is moving grandly forward.

As his work was seen to be so urging the Convention decided to work on a thirty thousand dollar basis; and we hope this year to work on a still larger basis. This is a glorious work to give the gospel to our people, a worthy cause, and is in great need, and calls to us to make a sacrifice. Let us not take it all in talk, but may we go to work and do great things for our State Mission Board. About one hundred men or more are on our State Board working in destitute sections of our State and depending on our Board for help, and the Board has promised to help them. But how can the Board help the men on the field, unless we stand by the Board. Brother Livingston Johnson is a faithful worker, a noble Christian and a dutiful servant of God, and would gladly lead us to higher and better things for God. Therefore we heartily endorse his work and the Board, for which he is working so faithfully; and commend the great work to the hearts and pocket books of our people.

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. ROCK, Chairman,
HOMER BROCK,
C. C. CORBETT.

Pending motion to adopt the above reports the Association was addressed by J. H. Booth, J. T. Albritton, C. M. Rock and Hight C. Moore.

At this point special prayer was offered for the work of State and Associational Missions. A cash collection was taken to relieve Bro. J. H. Booth of a debt on Cedar Fork Church. Amount of collection, $37.95. The report was adopted. Preaching was announced at the stand by J. L. Shinn. On motion the collection at the stand $3.93, was given to State and Associational Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Home missions is missions to our own children in the new States and sections to which they have moved. This Board has helped many sections of our State and preserved from destruction many strategic points in the past, years before our people were gathering in towns and villages, and is still helping to educate our people in the mountain counties. They report 616 missionaries who baptized 7,526 last year. It richly deserves our constant patronage. The world has been coming to us more rapidly and in larger numbers than ever, and it behooves us to be up and stirring to give them the Gospel as they come.

N. B. COBB, Chairman,
W. E. JOHNSON,
D. D. WELLS,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the report on Home Missions the Association was addressed by N. B. Cobb and Hight C. Moore. Report was adopted.

On motion the Association discountenances the sale or traffic of drinks or merchandise of any kind at or near the Association grounds.

On motion the Association adjourned for one hour with benediction by Hight C. Moore.

EVENING SESSION.

Was called to order by the Moderator. Announcement was made for preaching at the stand immediately by J. S. Farmer.

HISTORICAL.

Rev. J. T. Albritton who was appointed on history of the Eastern Association makes his report which reads as follows:

History of the organization of the (now called Eastern) Union Baptist Association. In the minutes of the last session of the Goshen Baptist Association, held with Beulah Baptist Church, Sampson county, N. C., September 29th to October 1st, 1843, is the following resolution: "Resolved, That in the opinion of this Association, the cause of Christ would be materially promoted in this section of the State, by uniting the churches between Wilmington and New Bern, extending as far North as the Neuse Association reaches, in one strong, well-arranged body. (Tar River was the Northern boundary.) The churches of the Neuse Association and the Baptist Advisory Council, as well as those of the Goshen Association, were within this territory.

The Neuse Association was organized at Bear Marsh, in 1794; The Advisory Council was organized in 1836, at Mewborne's Church, Green county; and the Goshen Association colony from the Cape Fear Association was organized at Beulah Church, Sampson county in 1827.

The first session of the Union Baptist Association was held with the Kenansville Baptist Church, Duplin county, October 4-7, 1844, with James Carroll Moderator, and N. McNabb, Clerk. I find in the list of churches 7 from Duplin, 8 from Sampson, 9 from New Hanover, 2 from Onslow, 2 from Pitt, 1 from Craven, 1 from Lenoir, 1 from Jones, and 1 from Wayne; making a total of 32 churches.

By comparing the Church list of the Goshen with that of the Union at its first session, it will be seen that there was a change of name with but little change of constituency, as 26 of the 32 churches belonging to the new Association were members of the Goshen. At the session of 1865, held with the Moore's Creek church the name was changed to, "The Eastern Association." Below I give the names of the churches, their attending delegates, their membership, and their pastors, as found in the minutes of the first session in 1844:

Churches in Duplin county:

Bear Marsh—B. Oliver, H. Moore, Joel Loftin, delegates; 167 members. H. Swinson and R. McNabb, pastors.

Kenansville—D. E. Moore, J. Carroll, G. Sloan, delegates; 56 members. R. McNabb, pastor.

Johnsons—A. Guy, O. Guy, S. Guy, delegates; 155 members. I. W. West, pastor.

Beaver Dam (near Magnolia)—J. D. Carroll, delegate; 82 members. Lewis F. Williams, pastor.

Concord—W. Swinson, J. Taylor, W. B. Wells, delegates; 148 members. George Fennell, pastor.

Island Creek—J. Maxwell, A. Kilpatrick, delegates; 52 members. Hiram Stallings, pastor.

Berea—S. Stallings, J. Fussell, delegates; 33 members. I. W. West, pastor.

Churches in Sampson county:

Rowan—A. Williamson, R. Boykin, A. Peterson, delegates; 118 members. I. W. West, pastor.

Beulah—F. B. Millard, M. C. Blount, Nehemiah Faison, delegates; 72 members. L. F. Williams, pastor.

Browns—A. Brown, H. E. Royal, delegates; 72 members. Elder Averitt, pastor.

New Hope—H. Hollingsworth, delegate; 98 members. L. F. Williams, pastor.

Lisbon—E. Vann, A. M. Blackburn, G. W. Russ, delegates; 149 members. G. Fennell, pastor.

Salem—No delegates; 69 members. No pastor.

Red Hill—D. Matthis, L. A. Powell, delegates; 26 members. Elder Averitt, pastor.

Pleasant Union—R. Faircloth, M. Johnson, delegates; 79 members. Stephen Senter, pastor.

Churches in New Hanover County:

Lebanon—G. Fennell, C. B. Corbett, delegates; 64 members. George Fennell, pastor.

Wells Chapel—L. Highsmith, D. Wells, delegates; 176 members. George Fennell, pastor.

Riley's Creek—J. L. Warren, D. M. Lewis, delegates; 41 members. J. L. Warren, pastor.

Wilmington—I. Peterson, L. Wright, delegates; 209 members. A. P. Repiton, pastor.

Bethlehem—W. Vernon, J. J. Pridgen, delegates; 92 members. No pastor.

Mount Holly—A. M. Lamb, delegate; 61 members. R. McNabb, pastor.

Moores Creek—T. Rooks, J. M. Alderman, delegates; 217 members. G. Fennell, pastor.

Marshals (now Caintuck)—J. M. Marshal, delegate; 48 members. No pastor.

Bethel—W. Fryar, A. B. Alderman, delegates; 79 members. No pastor.

Bay, (Onslow Co.)—H. Williams, A. F. Littleton, J. J. Rochelle, delegates; 20 members. No pastor.

Richland Chapel—No delegates; 14 members. No pastor.

Greenville (Pitt Co.)—J. Murray, delegate; 39 members. Mark Bennett, pastor.

Hancocks (Pitt Co.)—C. Smith, J. Cannon, A. Gardner, delegates; 13 members. W. P. Biddle, pastor.

New Bern (Craven Co.)—J. J. Finch, W. Finley, delegates; 118 members. J. J. Finch, pastor.

Harriett's Chapel (Lenoir Co.)—No delegates; 72 members. W. P. Biddle, pastor.

Piney Grove (Jones Co.)—J. Marrett, E. Dudley, delegates; 56 members. Probably W. J. Finley, pastor.

Goldsboro (Wayne Co.)—Wm. Robinson, T. C. Garrison, delegates; 23 members. Wm. Robinson, pastor.

The total number of churches was 32 and total membership was 2,728. For want of space, much that I desire to say must be unsaid. I am moved to add a few notes, however, that may prove of interest to the body. Moores Creek reported the largest membership, 217; Wilmington comes next with 209 members, contributing about $300.00 for Bible distribution, and Home and Foreign Missions.

Goldsboro Church was organized, according to the minutes, 12 months before the first meeting of the Association. She began with 5 members. Her first pastor was Wm. Robinson, an Irish gentleman of culture, and for several years one of the leading educators and editors of the State.

The Church worshipped alternately in Goldsboro and Waynesboro, the two towns being about a mile apart. The oldest church in the new Association is Wells Chapel, constituted in 1756; the second oldest is Rowan, constituted in 1759; and third oldest is Bear Marsh, constituted in 1763, with ten members.

Greenville Church will go down in Baptist history as the place where was organized the Baptist State Convention in 1830. In this Church your humble scribe received his first Sunday school instruction, made palatable by the teachers liberal use of toothsome confectioneries about sixty-five years ago. Mark Bennett, one of the most able and Godly theologians I have ever known, was once pastor of this church.

Hancock's Church (or the Missionary portion of it rather), many years ago, moved to Antioch, and thence at a later date to the thriving town of Winterville, a few miles from Greenville.

The several reports on Education, Religious Literature and Home and Foreign Missions are well prepared and indicate a broad and progressive Spirit among the brethren. The report on Associational Missions, presented by Benjamin Oliver, the chairman, recommended about the same plan of operation as that by which this part of our work is carried on to-day.

Among the ministers to the new Association were Hiram Stallings, W. J. Finch, J. J. Finch, Wm. P. Biddle, Robert McNabb, J. Elwell, George Fennell, David Wells, A. P. Repiton, G. W. Hupham, L. F. Williams, I. W. West and Wm. Robinson.

What a joy to tell of those brethren and the delegates, many of whom I personally knew, and all of whom Nehemiah Faison excepted—have gone to their reward! But alas; this short history of our beginning as an Associational body is already too long.

JOHN T. ALBRITTON.

On motion the Association extends a vote of thanks to Brother J. T. Al-Albritton for the valuable information contained in his report.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville has been wonderfully blessed of the Lord; and our people have had this work on their hearts from the beginning. Our hearts have been made sad of late because of the scourge of fever which is now upon the children. There has been above 40 cases of fever, 20 have been discharged from the infirmary, and there are 20 odd, still sick; two have died. The sickness has greatly increased the expenses of the Orphanage. We learn from Charity and Children, and also from Bro. C. G. Wells that the trustees think we should put in a sewerage system for the protection of the children's health.

Your committee would recommend that a collection be taken upon the adoption of this report, for the Orphanage to relieve the present need, and that every Church and Sunday school in the Eastern Association be requested to take regular collections for the Orphanage.

R. C. SANDLIN,
J. G. BOON,
W. C. SAVAGE,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by C. G. Wells. A special cash collection was taken up at this point for the Orphanage amounting to $14.43. By motion N. B. Cobb was requested to write a letter accompanying the contribution to Brother and Sister Boon expressing our sympathy in their sad trials. By motion, Bro. Hight C. Moore led the Association in special prayer for the Orphanage. The churches at Warsaw, Clinton, Piney Grove, Johnsons, Ivanhoe, Corinth, Mount Olive, Mount Gilead, New Hope, Island Creek and Siloam, pledged themselves to make effort to raise $5.00 each at their next regular church service for the Orphanage. On motion the report was adopted.

On motion the Association appointed a committee consisting of brethren C. M. Rock, B. A. Summerlin, D. L. Carlton, H. G. Owen and L. Middleton, to arrange and run excurison to Thomasville during the coming year for the benefit of our people who want to visit the Orphanage.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Forward is the word on the tongue, and in the hearts of our people, as we consider the hard work. It has been suggested by our worthy Secretary of our Foreign Mission Board there are three distinct lines of advance. One on the Foreign field, one on the part of men and women going out from home to the forces at the front. The other on the part of churches at home in furnishing the funds and more earnestly praying to God. The advance in the first case has been and is glorious. The last report of the Board gives us two thousand baptisms, where a few years ago we reported seven hundred; our missionaries are going forward, preaching and teaching. And organizing churches and establishing schools, providing hospitals, setting up printing houses and otherwise pushing forward the Master's Kingdom. In the second regard, we are seeing progress also. In five years the number of our missionaries has gone from seventy-three to a hundred and twenty-six (126) with thirty-six others now under appointment for the foreign work. Now as to the third point; we need to make an advance in our churches at home. We are gratified to state that the receipts of the Board has increased from a hundred and twenty-four thousand dollars in 1898 to two hundred and eighteen thousand and five hundred dollars in 1903. May we continue to increase our contributions to the work as the Lord has prospered us, and the need of the work demands.

L. R. CARROLL,
B. L. BLACKMORE,
F. C. MIDDLETON,
Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday school is the Church engaged in the study and teaching of the Scriptures. It has not only its basis upon, but its authority in the word of God. Its influence and power in the upbuilding of the churches, and the advancement of the cause of Christ cannot be overestimated. It is one of the mightiest agencies for the promulgation of the truth, and is worthy of every energy and all the heart we can put into it.

In North Carolina we Baptist have set our hands afresh to this work. Our Field Secretary in the office and field is receiving every encouragement in his efforts to improve our Sunday School condition. Though we have 1,792 churches with a membership of more than 182,000 members, we have only 1,300 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 96,000 members. So the need is great for more and larger and better Sunday schools. Your committee would suggest and urge:

1. That each of our churches put new life and power into the Sunday School work; utilizing only earnest Christians as officers and teachers.
2. That as a body we seek to establish and maintain and improve the Sunday schools in our borders.
3. That the Association set apart the Spring fifth Sunday meeting for the consideration of Sunday school topics and the unifying of Sunday school forces.
4. That a committee of three be appointed to advocate the Sunday school interest in our Association. And to co-operate with our State Secretary in the work.
5. That all our Sunday schools be requested to make one offering during the year for our Baptist Sunday school work.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. BOOTH,
W. W. HOBBS,
W. H. KORNEGAY,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the report the Association was addressed by Rev. Hight C. Moore. The report was adopted.

Committee on devotional exercises reports devotional exercises to-morrow morning at 9:30 by W. H. Middleton. Association to meet at 10 o'clock A. M.; preaching at the stand at 11 o'clock by C. M. Rock.

By motion, the Association adjourned with prayer by R. C. Sandlin.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises conducted by W. H. Middleton at 10 o'clock. The Moderator called the Association to order. Roll of delegates was called and minutes of preceding day were read and approved.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

For the year ending October 3d, 1904.

To amount received from Finance Committee at last Association:

Receipts.

Associational Missions	$112 08
State Missions	43 81
Home Missions	57 44
Foreign Missions	67 49
Sunday Schools	77
Gospel Missions	1 50
Ministers' Relief	38 40
Ministerial Education	21 57
Orphanage	72 76
Baptist Female University	87
Minute Fund	37 05
Hat collection	
Foreign Missions	10 00
Associational Missions	6 82
From former Treasurer	1 54
Warsaw Church	25 00
Warsaw Sunday school	10 00
Total	$507 10

Disbursements

Paid to L. Johnson for State Missions	$ 43 81
Home Missions	57 41
Foreign Missions	76 40
Ministers' relief	38 40
Sunday school	77
Education	21 57
Baptist Female University	87
J. B. Boon for Orphanage	72 76
A. R. Herring, Minute fund	37 05
Brother Moore, Gospel Missions	1 50
Paid N. A. Shelly	109 90
Paid N. A. Shelly for Cedar Fork Church	10 68
W. H. Middleton, Associational Missions	35 00
Total	$505 94
Balance on hand	$ 1 24

Respectfully submitted,
C. E. DANIEL, Treasurer.

On motion, G. W. Carroll, W. H. Hagwood and B. A. Summerlin were appointed to audit Treasurer's report.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We your Finance Committee beg leave to offer the following report of the money received into our hands and paid over to the Treasurer and taking his receipt therefor.

State Missions	$ 54 69
Associational Missions	199 75
Foreign Missions	70 85
Gospel Missions	11 50
Ministers' Relief	45 35
Orphanage	96 10
Ministerial Education	27 53
Home Missions	61 80
Minute Fund	38 95
Subscriptions to Charity and Children from Johnson Church	2 53
Total cash	$609 05

We further report that Church letters indicate the following amounts sent off:

State Missions	$ 54 86
Home Missions	41 85
Foreign Missions	65 83
Associational Missions	196 87
Gospel Missions	75 37
Ministers' Relief	38 52
Ministerial Education	24 93
Orphanage	104 96
Total	$603 19

Received of W. J. Fryar, J. H. Carlton and Maurey Ward, Finance Committee of the Association, six hundred and nine dollars and five cents as follows:

State Missions	$ 54 69
Associational Missions	199 75
Foreign Missions	70 85
Gospel Missions	11 50
Ministers' Relief	45 35
Orphanage	96 10
Ministerial Education	27 53
Home Missions	61 10
Minute fund	38 95
Charity and Children	2 53
Total	$609 05

C. E. DANIEL, Treasurer.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

We beg leave to report as follows: Your Committee with the assistance of the citizens of Warsaw and the community have secured the services of two competent and experienced teachers, and agreed to maintain and run the school one year. We have repaired the building at a cost of about seventy dollars. The school has an attendance of sixty pupils. Had it not been for the prevalence of diptheria in the neighborhood no doubt but the attendance would be much larger. The outlook is encouraging. The location is

central and favorable, and we are still hopeful of developing a large and successful school.

Respectfully submitted,
S. M. CARLTON,
Chairman Board Trustees.
B. L. BLACKMORE, Secretary.

Pending motion to adopt report the Association was addressed by C. M. Rock, L. R. Carroll, J. A. Powell, J. M. Alderman, H. G. Owen. Report adopted.

A resolution was offered by J. T. Albritton looking to the disposition of the Warsaw High School property which reads as follows:

Whereas, the Eastern Association has had no school at Warsaw for some time, and it is the desire of the Churches of the Association that the school property at Warsaw be utilized for the purpose of educating the youth of that community, and that all residing there may feel that they have an interest in said school. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the trustees appointed at this Association be and they are authorized to lease that part of the property in Warsaw north of College street, being the school house and lot on which the same is situated, to such persons as the citizens of the town of Warsaw may select. Said lease to be for 21 years at the best price obtainable. Said rent to be applied by the trustees to the repairs and improvement of said property. Said lease to be upon condition that the lessees use the same for establishing and maintaining a school either public, private, graded, or special tax, and for no other purpose. Provided always, that such school shall not be sectarian or denominational. The said trustees are to rent the vacant lot for the best rent obtainable, collect the rent and turn it over to the Treasurer of the Association to be used for educational purposes as the Association may direct. That said trustees shall serve without compensation and hold their office during the continuance of said lease, and shall make an annual report to the Association of all their proceedings in the premises.

That the number of Trustees be reduced to seven.

Resolved, That the following be appointed trustees to take charge of the Warsaw High School property, H. S. Boyette, S. A. Strickland, J. A. Powell, L. Middleton, H. G. Owen, L. A. Beasley, D. L. Carlton.

On motion the resolution with its preamble was laid on the table.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We the committee to audit the Treasurer's report beg leave to say, that we have examined the Treasurer's report and vouchers and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. CARROLL,
B. A. SUMMERLIN,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee to nominate Executive Committee for the ensuing year beg leave to nominate the following brethren, viz: C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray, J. A. Powell and L. Middelton.

G. W. CARROLL,
J. C. HINES,
F. M. CARROLL,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Report read by W. N. Johnson is as follows: No time in the South has there ever been such demand for equipped ministers as now. God's call to the ministry usually comes to the poor. They cannot educate themselves. They must have help if they ever reach their highest usefulness. We ask to give this help to young men called of God to preach the gospel, and this work is intrusted to a Board or Committee at Wake Forest. Many of the leaders among the Baptist of North Carolina and the South have been aided by this institution. We recommend that this work be laid more heavily upon our churches and that contributions to this cause be increased.

R. C. SEAWELL,
B. A. SUMMERLIN,
W. N. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt W. H. Hagwood spoke to the report. Report adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

Your committee wishes to report that we have forty including widows and children on the Ministers' Relief Board. They are receiving annually about two thousand dollars, but one half of this amount goes into a permanent interest bearing fund leaving a very small amount for each month. No one receives a cent for doing the work of this Board. This Association has only contributed $82.13 this year for this work. These aged servants of God deserve and need a better support and in their behalf we would ask that our contributions be increased. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. ALDERMAN,
B. MATHIS,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman. Report adopted.

Committee to nominate delegates to Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention reports and nominates for delegates to the Baptist State Convention J. M. Alderman. To Southern Baptist Convention, C. M. Rock. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Report read by J. J. Best is as follows: There are at least two ways by which we can multiply our powers for good as Baptists. One is by numbers, and the other is by increasing the power of the individual. Information is power and proper information is power for good. Our fathers knew this many years ago, and more than seventy years since founded the Biblical Recorder, as a helper in the dissemination of the truth as held by Baptists in North Carolina. It has served our people well, through these seventy years, and is now better able to serve the denomination, of which it is the organ than ever before. The North Carolina Baptist commends itself to us because of its attitude on the temperance question. Charity and Children should be read by every Baptist in the State. We owe it to ourselves to keep in heart to heart touch with the Orphanage. The Foreign Mission Journal should be read carefully, that we may be intelligent regarding our work in foreign lands. The Home Field is the organ of our Home Mission work, and all of us can take it at ten cents per year. The Literature of our Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., is worthy of our entire patronage. Baptists cannot do better than to patronize their own papers and support their own interest. J. S. FARMER, for Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the report the Association was addressed by J. L. Quinn, of the North Carolina Baptist. Report was adopted.

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Report read by J. M. Alderman is as follows:

CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Total Number of Members.	Contributions.		Average per member of		Average attendance of Sunday Schools.
			Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	
Alum Springs	....	6	$.....	$ 1 00	$.....	$ 16	.....
Bethel	....	104	100 00	86 16	96	82	.....
Beulah	4	99	100 00	14 63	1 00	14	20
Boykin's Chapel	1	77	75 00	8 50	97	11	.....
Bowdens	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bear Marsh	....	115	150 00	36 30	1 30	31	30
Clinton	5	227	479 70	274 91	2 00	1 21	90
Concord	....	56	60 00	17 00	1 07	30	35
Corinth	11	148	160 00	85 46	1 08	57	1 15
Delway	....	21	75 00	6 50	3 57	30	63
Dobson's Chapel	7	95	100 00	43 69	1 05	45	20
Ebenezer	....	39	36 00	6 17	92	15	.....
Faison's	....	29	100 00	10 57	3 44	36	23
Hallsville	4	118	62 56	29 42	55	24	23
Island Creek	2	234	125 00	64 25	53	27	.....
Ivanhoe	2	63	100 00	17 05	1 23	26	20
Johnson's	3	157	169 75	148 74	1 08	94	33
Kenansville	3	75	125 00	27 25	1 66	36	25
Lisbon	5	86	149 00	51 55	1 73	59	25
Mt. Olive	...	188	750 00	128 18	3 98	68	60
Maple Hill	....	40	50 00	11 00	1 26	27	10
Magnolia	....	135	75 00	30 50	55	23	53
Mt. Gilead	....	146	125 00	31 98	85	21	30
New Hope	6	186	112 00	115 00	60	61	.....
Piney Grove	10	124	76 00	18 55	61	14	46
Poplar Grove	1	42	60 50	10 35	1 44	24	30
Rose Hill	...	34	50 00	29 15	1 47	85	33
Sharon	2	44	40 00	7 28	90	16	.....
Siloam	....	98	100 00	29 50	1 02	28	40
Spring Vale	....	82	60 00	17 20	73	20	35
Rowan	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Zion	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warsaw	1	162	274 00	97 30	1 69	60	65
	67	3040	$ 3937 95	$ 1357 96	$1 28	43	935

We learn from this digest of church letters this year that

1st. We have baptized 67 persons.

2nd. We have a total membership of 3,040.

3d. That ten churches report no Sunday schools. The other churches report an average attendance of 40 pupils to each school.

4th. Total average of Pastor's Salary and running expenses per member is $1.28.

5th. The average contributions for other objects such as missions, 45 cents.

6th. New Hope is the only church that has averaged more for missions than for Pastor's salary.

7th. Clinton has made the largest average for missions, $1.21; Boykins Chapel the smallest, 11 cents.

Mt. Olive the largest for Pastor's salary and running expenses, and New Hope, Island Creek, and Hallsville the smallest.

J. M. ALDERMAN,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
W. H. MIDDLETON,
Committee.

By motion the report was adopted.

On motion the list of churches was called and pledges taken for the different objects of the Association as follows:

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Associational Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.
Alum Springs	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ .....
Bethel	5 00	10 00	5 00	6 00	2 50	5 00	3 00	3 00
Beulah	3 00	12 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	4 00	3 00	2 50
Boykin's Chapel	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00
Bowden's	.....	.....	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bear Marsh	2 50	15 00	2 50	4 50	3 00	6 00	2 50	2 50
Clinton	25 00	25 00	25 00	25 00	.....	25 00	10 00	25 00
Concord	1 00	30 00	1 00	.....	15 00	5 00	.....	1 00
Corinth	3 00	35 00	5 00	5 00	.....	10 00	2 00	5 00
Delway	5 00	45 00	5 00	5 00	.....	10 00	3 00	2 00
Dobson's Chapel	.....	30 00	5 00	5 00	.....	2 50	.....	2 50
Ebenezer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Faison's	5 00	2 50	2 50	5 00	.....	2 50	.....	2 50
Hallsville	2 00	15 00	1 00	2 00	.....	5 00	2 00	3 00
Island Creek	5 00	60 00	10 00	5 00	.....	5 00	2 00	5 00
Ivanhoe	3 00	3 00	.....	3 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....
Johnson's	5 00	70 00	5 00	10 00	3 00	15 00	2 00	5 00
Kenansville	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....
Lisbon	5 00	25 00	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	3 00	2 00
Mt. Zion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Maple Hill	1 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	.....	2 00	1 00	1 00
Mt. Gilead	....	15 00	....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	2 00
Mt. Olive	20 00	50 00	2 00	20 00	.....	20 00	10 00	10 00
Magnolia	5 00	10 00	2 50	....	.....	2 50	.....	5 00
New Hope	60 00	3 00	.....	....	45 00	20 00	3 00	3 00
Piney Grove	3 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	.....	2 00	2 00	2 00
Poplar Grove	2 00	5 00	....	2 50	.....	5 00	.....	2 50
Rose Hill	2 00	5 00	1 00	2 00	12 00	3 00	2 00	2 00
Rowan	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sharon	1 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00
Siloam	1 00	14 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	2 00
Spring Vale	2 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	.....	3 00	1 00	1 00
Warsaw	5 00	25 00	2 50	10 00	.....	10 00	2 50	3 00

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Report read by C. F. Hopper is as follows: Your Committee find that the Societies in this Association wish to make the following report:

Report of Woman's and Sunbeam Societies for this year:

Clinton W. M. S.	$ 42 00
Clinton Y. L. M. S.	18 90
Clinton Sunbeams	12 33
Warsaw W. M. S.	22 50
Johnsons Sunbeams	1 90
Mount Olive W. M. S.	61 50
Bethel W. M. S.	3 16
Corinth W. M. S.	7 90
Total	$180 20

Four new societies have been organized during the year making 13 Societies in the Association.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by C. M. Rock and J. T. Albritton. Report was adopted.

On motion that Sunday schools be added to the list of objects of the Association. Motion was lost.

By motion the resolution with its preamble concerning Warsaw High School was taken from the table and read. On motion it was adopted.

On motion that part of Hallsville church letter referring to a monument on the grave of Brother N. A. Shelly, was referred to the pastors of the churches.

By motion the letters from Mount Olive and Lisbon Churches was taken from the table. Invitations were extended by each of them for the next session of the Association.

Motion by J. T. Albritton that Mount Olive be chosen as the place for the next session of the Association. The motion was amended by A. R. Herring to strike out Mount Olive and insert Lisbon instead. The amendment was lost.

The original motion to select Mount Olive as the place for the next session was carried.

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered the church of New Hope and also the community for their kind hospitality.

By motion Bro. J. H. Booth was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon at our next session with C. M. Rock alternate.

By motion the Treasurer was instructed to pay out the money in his hands as indicated by the different objects of the Association.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Mount Olive on Tuesday after the first Lord's Day in October, 1905.

Benediction was pronounced by J. T. Albritton.

J. L. STEWART, Moderator.

A. F. Robinson, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bethel—N. B. Cobb.
Bear Marsh—J. T. Albritton.
Clinton—J. L. Stewart, C. M. Rock, L. M. Hobbs.
Mount Gilead—C. T. Tew.
Mount Olive—C. F. Hopper, R. J. Bateman.
New Hope—W. B. Rivenbark.
Siloam—W. A. Melvin.
Delway—W. N. Johnson, J. M. Alderman.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.		
	Baptisms.	Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Died.	Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alum Springs	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	3	6
Bethel	....	2	1	....	3	23	.....	.....	104
Beulah	4	5	....	3	1	4	43	56	99
Boykin's Chapel	1	....	....	....	2	2	38	39	77
Bear Marsh	....	....	....	....	3	4	44	71	115
Clinton	5	15	....	3	2	4	98	129	227
Concord	....	2	....	....	1	1	21	35	56
Corinth	11	2	....	....	3	5	69	79	148
Dobson's Chapel	7	....	1	....	2	....	43	52	95
Delway	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	11	21
Ebenezer	....	1	....	1	2	....	19	20	39
Faison's	....	12	....	....	1	....	13	16	29
Hallsville	4	1	....	3	....	1	41	77	118
Island Creek	2	....	....	1	3	5	82	152	234
Ivanhoe	2	....	....	1	....	2	28	34	62
Johnson's	3	8	1	....	5	3	73	84	157
Kenansville	3	2	....	....	1	1	23	52	75
Lisbon	5	4	1	....	2	7	44	42	86
Maple Hill	....	....	....	....	....	....	17	23	40
Mt. Gilead	....	1	1	3	2	1	57	89	146
Mt. Olive	....	4	....	....	3	1	73	115	188
Magnolia	....	3	....	2	2	....	41	94	135
New Hope	6	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	186
Piney Grove	10	6	3	1	5	2	50	74	124
Poplar Grove	1	....	....	....	1	1	17	25	42
Rose Hill	....	7	....	....	....	....	14	20	34
Sharon	2	....	....	....	25	....	16	25	44
Siloam	....	1	....	1	4	....	53	45	98
Spring Vale	....	....	....	3	6	5	33	49	82
Rowan	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Warsaw	1	11	....	2	....	9	66	95	161
	67	87	8	24	79	81	1315	1713	3028

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES AND TIME OF HOLDING MEETING.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Time of Meeting
Alum Springs			
Bethel	W. B Cobb, Clear Run	Maury Ward, Rose Hill	4th Sunday.
Beulah	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey's	W. T. Bell, Teacheys	
Boykin's Chapel	C. M. Rock, Clinton	L. M. Boykin, Clinton	3d Sunday.
Bear Marsh	R. J. Bateman, Mt. Olive	Homer Brock, Mt. Olive	3d Sunday.
Clinton	C. M. Rock, Clinton	A. B. Carroll, Clinton	1st&3d Sunday.
Concord	W. N. Johnson, Delway	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	2d Sunday.
Corinth	W. N. Johnson, Delway	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	3d Sunday.
Dobson's Chapel	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey's	J. M. Dobson, Kenansville	4th Sunday.
Delway	W. N. Johnson, Delway	G. D Herring, Delway	2d Sunday.
Ebenezer	R. C. Sandlin, Clinton	R. Highsmith, Coharie	3d Sunday.
Faison	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw	T. W. Smith, Faison	1st Sunday.
Hallsville	J. H. Booth, Beulahville	J. J. Strickland, Hallsville	2d Sunday.
Island Creek	W B Rivenbark, Teachey's	J. H. Evans, Rose Hill	1st Sunday.
Ivanhoe	J. Smith, Wilmington	E. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe	3d Sunday.
Johnson's	W. N. Johnson, Delway	L. Middleton, Warsaw	1st Sunday.
Kenansville	W. N. Johnson, Delway	J. A. Gavin, Kenansville	
Lisbon	C. M. Rock, Clinton	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	4th Sunday.
Maple Hill	J. H. Booth, Beulahville	J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	3d Sunday,
Mt. Gilead	J. M Alderman, Delway	B. Mathis, Taylor's Bridge	4th Sunday.
Mt Olive	R. J. Bateman, Mt. Olive	B A. Summerlin, Mt. Olive	1st Sunday.
Magnolia	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	4th Sunday.
Piney Grove	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	S. H. Hare, Clinton	2d Sunday.
Poplar Grove	J. W. Bell, Faison	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	4th Sunday.
Rose Hill	W. N. Johnson, Delway	W. C. Savage, Rose Hill	3d Sunday.
Sharon	J. H. Booth, Beulahville	W. D. Brock, Rose Hill	1st Sunday.
Siloam	J. M Alderman, Delway	A. A. Maynard, Kerr	3d Sunday.
Spring Vale	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. M. Marshburn, Clinton	1st Sunday.
Warsaw	C. M. Rock, Clinton	H. G. Owen, Warsaw	

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

Churches.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Pastor's Salary.	Improvem'ts.	Other Church Expenses.	Baptist Female University.	Totals.	Present Indebtedness.	Value Church Property.
Alum Springs											$1 00					$1 00		
Bethel	$5 00	$10 00	$5 00	$6 00	$2 50	$5 00	$3 00	$3 00			1 05					40 55		
Beulah	3 00	12 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	4 00	3 00	2 50			63	$100 00						$500 00
Boykin's Chapel	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	1 00	1 00			50	60 00				68 50		300 00
Bowden's																		
Bear Marsh	2 50	15 00	2 50	4 50	3 00	6 00	2 50	2 50			1 50	150 00				190 00		500 00
Clinton	25 00	25 00	25 00	25 00		25 00	10 00	25 00			3 00	400 00		$49 70		612 70		1500 00
Concord	1 00	30 00	1 00		15 00	5 00		1 00			1 00					54 00		500 00
Corinth	3 00	35 00	5 00	5 00		10 00	2 00	5 00		$33 00	1 60	150 00				249 60		750 00
Dobson's Chapel		30 00	5 00	5 00		2 50		2 50			1 00					46 00		600 00
Delway	5 00	45 00	5 00	5 00		10 00	3 00	2 00			1 50	75 00				151 50		
Faison	5 00	2 50	2 50	5 00		2 50		2 50			1 00	100 00				121 00		1200 00
Hallsville	2 00	15 00	1 00	2 00		5 00	2 00	3 00			42	60 00				90 42	$9 60	400 00
Island Creek	5 00	60 00	10 00	5 00		5 00	2 00	5 00			3 25	125 00				225 25		600 00
Ivanhoe	3 00	3 00		3 00		5 00				4 00	60	100 00				178 00		500 00
Johnson's	5 00	70 00	5 00	10 00	3 00	15 00	2 00	5 00			3 35	150 00				268 35		1000 00
Kenansville											1 00	125 00				126 00		1000 00
Lisbon	5 00	25 00	5 00	5 00		5 00	3 00	2 00				125 00		24 00		199 00		500 00
Mt. Zion																		
Maple Hill	1 00	3 00	1 00	2 00		2 00	1 00	1 00			50	50 00	100 00			161 50		700 00
Mt. Gilead		15 00				2 00	2 00	2 00			1 00	125 00	14 50			161 50		800 00
Mt. Olive	20 00	50 00	2 00	20 00		20 00	10 00	10 00			3 00	*750 00		1200 00		2085 00		3000 00
Magnolia	5 00	10 00	2 50	5 00		2 50		5 00			2 00	75 00	60 00			167 00		800 00
New Hope		60 00	3 00		45 00	20 00	3 00	3 00										
Piney Grove	3 00	5 00	3 00	3 00		2 00	2 00	2 00			1 00	75 00				86 00		350 00
Poplar Grove	2 00	5 00		2 50		3 00	2 00	2 00			50	60 00	50 00			127 00	20 70	350 00
Rose Hill	2 00	5 00	1 00	2 00		3 00	2 00	2 00			1 65	50 00	28 00			96 65		1278 00
Rowan																		
Sharon	1 00	4 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	1 00	1 00				40 00				50 00		
Siloam	1 00	14 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	2 00			1 50	100 00				136 50		1000 00
Spring Vale	2 00	5 00	2 00	2 00		3 00	1 00	1 00			90	60 00				76 90		700 00
Warsaw	5 00	25 00	2 50	10 00		10 00	2 50	3 00	$2 50		3 00	200 00		36 00		299 50		
Ebenezer											50	36 00				36 50		200 00
	112 50	580 50	97 00	139 00	75 50	178 50	62 00	96 00	2 50	37 00	38 95	2891 00	252 50	1309 70		6105 92	29 30	

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents and Postoffices.	No. of Schools.	Officers and Teach'rs	No. of Pupils.	Average.	Months Open.	Expen's.	Orphan-age.	Missi'ns.
Alum Springs									
Bethel									
Beulah	W. J. Ship, Turkey	1	4	34	20	12			
Boykin's Chapel									
Bear Marsh	C. A. Bird, Mt. Olive	1	7	45	30	12	$6 50		
Clinton	B. S. Garris, Clinton	1	12	120	90	12	30 00	$37 14	$1 50
Concord	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	1	5	35	35	12			
Corinth	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	1	7	135	115	12	10 00	12 00	
Dobson's Chapel	W. H. Murray, Magnolia	2	5	35	20	12	3 50		
Delway	W. J. Fryar, Delway	1	7	74	63		4 00		
Ebenezer									
Faison	J. C. Hines, Faison	1	3	20		12			
Hallsville	O. W. Scott, Hallsville	1	4	43	33	9	2 56		
Island Creek									
Ivanhoe	J. W. Gurganus, Ivanhoe	1	3	28	20	12	1 00		
Johnson's	W. H. Middleton, Warsaw	1	7	55	33	12	16 00	17 81	1 50
Kenansville									
Lisbon	D. L. Herring, Garland	1	6	34	25	12	12 00	8 00	
Maple Hill	D. H. Marshburn, Maple Hill	1	3	15	10	6	3 00		
Mt. Gilead	E. L. Croom, Clinton	1	7	40	30	12	3 00		
Mt. Olive	B. A. Summerlin, Mt. Olive	1	10	115	60	12	40 00		
Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1	7	75	53	12	23 82		
Piney Grove	J. C. Hobbs, Keener's	2	7	68	46	9	7 00		
Poplar Grove	J. W. Bell, Faison	1	4	70	30	6	4 11		
Rose Hill	W. D Henderson, Rose Hill	1	8	90	33	12	10 00		
Sharon									
Siloam	D. T. Johnson, Kerr, R. F. D	1	6	74	40	12	8 83		1 28
Springvale	A. F. Robinson, Clinton	1	4	50	35	9	3 00		
Warsaw	S. M. Carlton, Warsaw	1	7	85	65	12	4 00		
		24	133	1340	876	232	192 32	54 95	$ 4 28

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator—C. E. Daniel.....Turkey, N. C.
Clerk—A. F. Robinson.....R. F. D. No. 4, Clinton, N. C.
Treasurer—Maury Ward.....R. F. D., Rose Hill, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray,
J. A. Powell, L. Middleton.

TRUSTEES OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

H. S. Boyette, J. A. Powell, H. G. Owen, S. A. Strickland, L. Middleton,
L. A. Beasley, D. L. Carlton.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

O. P. Middleton, L. R. Carroll, DeLeon Carton, C. E. Daniel, H. Gowen,
S. M. Carlton, J. A. Powell, B. L. Blackmore.

MINISTERS.

J. L. Stewart, J. T. Albritton, C. F. Hopper, J. M. Alderman, L. M. Hobbs,
C. T. Tew, T. L. Brown, C. M. Rock, W. B. Rivenbark,
L. R. Carroll, R. C. Sandling, W. A. Melvin.

MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION.

J. T. Albritton, L. R. Carroll, R. C. Sandling, J. M. Alderman, T. L. Brown,
J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, C. M. Rock, E. J. Edwards,
J. M. Page, Archibald Johnson, Hight C. Moore.

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Sprit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in Knowledge, Holiness and Comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back-biting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further agree to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and principles of God's Word.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference and Executive Committee.

Art. 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the church. Provided, however, That when any church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertance the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, That our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee, in order that said committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a chairman pro tem shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily sessions read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of Association; and if any shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of officers.
5. Calling for Petitionary Letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Report of Treasurer.
11. Miscellaneous Business.
12. Incidental and routine business shall be in order at any time.
13. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

The sixty-second annual session of the Eastern Baptist Association convened with the Mount Olive Baptist Church, Wayne County, N. C., October 3, 1905.

Introductory sermon was preached by J. H. Booth, from Matt. 24—14 and 28—19 and 20.

On motion by C. M. Rock, the Association took a recess till 2 o'clock p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. M. Rock by reading eighth chapter of Romans, and prayer was offered by R. C. Sandlin.

On motion by C. M. Rock, Brother C. E. Daniel was elected Moderator pro tem.

On motion, C. M. Beach and Thad Jones were elected reading clerks.

On motion, Maury Ward, W. J. Fryar and J. D. Roberts were elected as Finance Committee.

On motion, the roll of churches was called and the following delegates enrolled:

Alum Springs—Preston Chesnutt and Gaston Kelly.
Bethel—E. M. Johnson and Maury Ward.
Beulah—A. T. Britt.
Boykin's Chapel—By letter.
Bowdens—
Bear Marsh—John King and Homer Brock.
Clinton—H. B. Giddens, R. C. Sandlin and J. E. Burgess.
Concord—W. A. Moore.
Corinth—D. W. Fussell and I. D. Johnson.
Delway—C. M. Beach, L. W. Alderman and W. H. Hagwood.
Dobson's Chapel—D. J. Bradshaw and P. J. Dobson.
Cedar Fork—R. H. Sloan.
Ebenezer—J. E. Highsmith and A. J. Alderman.
Faison—J. C. Hines, W. B. Hargrove and J. Burnham.
Hallsville—S. S. Bostic.
Island Creek—J. H. Evans and S. D. Wells.
Ivanhoe—F. J. Anders.
Johnson's—C. C. Everett, H. S. Boyette and J. L. Carlton.
Kenansville—P. H. Kornegay, Henry Doyle and B. C. Barden.
Lisbon—E. C. Herring and J. C. Robinson.
Mount Zion—
Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn.
Mount Gilead—A. C. Peterson, D. T. Peterson and B. Matthis.
Magnolia—Theo. Middleton, J. M. Brown and K. E. Hollingsworth.
New Hope—J. F. Williams, J. H. Carlton and C. E. Daniel.
Piney Grove—J. E. Boyette, G. Darden, C. T. Boyette.
Poplar Grove—L. D. Rodgers.
Rose Hill—W. B. Henderson and W. C. Savage.
Rowan—J. M. Boon and T. W. Boon.
Sharon—W. Blanchard, R. C. Seawell and J. Sheffield.
Siloam—D. T. Johnson, Love Jones and J. B. Highsmith.
Springvale—A. F. Robinson.
Warsaw—H. G. Owen, B. L. Blackmore and S. M. Carlton.

By motion, the letter from Rowan was laid on the table.

Motion by C. M. Rock that the rules be suspended and that C. M. Beach cast the vote of the Association for C. E. Daniel for Moderator.

On motion by J. T. Albritton to amend said motion by deferring the elec-

tion of Moderator till to-morrow morning, the amendment prevailed and the election was deferred.

On motion, the rules were suspended and H. G. Owen cast the vote of the Association for A. F. Robinson for Clerk, and C. E. Daniel for Treasurer of the Association.

An invitation was extended to visiting brethren and Hight C. Moore, of our Sunday School Board; E. J. Edwards, of the Biblical Recorder, and A. Johnson, of Charity and Children, announced themselves and were welcomed to seats with us by the Moderator.

On call for Petitionary Letters the church at Cedar Fork presented a letter and asked for membership in our body. On motion, it was referred to a committee consisting of J. T. Albritton and J. M. Alderman.

On motion by L. R. Carroll that the Moderator pro tem proceed to appoint the various committees for the Association, which was objected to on the ground that the Moderator pro tem had no authority to act further than the permanent organization.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises announced preaching to-night at 8 o'clock by Hight C. Moore.

On motion by B. L. Blackmore the Association adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Hight C. Moore.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Brother Thad Jones reading 18th chapter of Matthew, and prayer by Brother Jones.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator pro tem, C. E. Daniel. The roll of delegates was called and the minutes of yesterday were read and approve.

On motion by J. T. Albritton the rules were suspended and the clerk cast the vote of the Association for Brother C. E. Daniel Moderator.

By previous motion the Moderator proceeded to appoint the various committees for the Association, viz.:

State Missions—C. M. Rock, J. C. Hines and J. A. Powell.
Home Missions—J. T. Albritton, B. Matthis, J. H. Carlton.
Foreign Missions—L. R. Carroll, C. M. Beach and L. Middleton.
Women's Work—Thad Jones, A. T. Britt and A. C. Peterson.
B. Y. P. U.—C. M. Beach, W. A. Moore and I. D. Johnson.
Orphanage—R. C. Sandlin, S. M. Carlton and Stewart Wells.
Periodicals—J. M. Alderman, W. H. Hagwood and J. E. Highsmith.
Ministerial Education—T. L. Brown, E. N. Johnson and J. L. Carlton.
Sunday Schools—J. H. Booth, E. C. Herring and J. E. Boyette.
Ministers' Relief—W. B. Rivenbark, Theo. Middleton and S. A. Strickland.
Digest of Church Letters—J. E. Highsmith, J. M. Alderman and W. H. Middleton.
To Nominate Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention—H. G. Owen, C. C. Everett and B. Hood.
To Nominate Preachers and Place for Next Session—L. W. Alderman, D. H. Marshburn and F. J. Anders.

An invitation was again extended to visiting brethren, and Brothers W. I. Lane and J. E. Peterson, of Goldsboro, and J. M. Page, of Southport, reported themselves and were welcomed to seats with us.

The committee to whom the Cedar Fork letter was referred reported favorably and the church was received as a member of our body and the delegates were given the hand of welcome by the Moderator.

Rev. B. F. Deloatch, of the M. E. Church, was announced and welcomed to a seat with us.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Report on State Missions was read by C. M. Rock, as follows:

We, the committee, note with pleasure the steady and rapid growth of the

work of our State Mission Board. It has proven its wisdom in management by its practical results. We learn that at least one-half of our churches have received aid from this Board, and that this half now gives two-thirds of the money contributed for advancing our Lord's Kingdom in the State. Judging the future by the past, we may expect still greater results in the years to come. Therefore, brethren, by more earnest prayers and more liberal contributions, let us take a great part in this glorious seed-sowing and reaping. Let us join hands with our beloved and efficient leader, Brother Livingston Johnson, and take North Carolina for Jesus. We heartily commend the work of our State Mission Board to the hearts of all our brethren.

C. M. ROCK,
J. C. HINES,
J. A. POWELL,
Committee.

Report of the Executive Committee was read (in connection with the above report) by W. H. Middleton, as follows:

Your committee is glad to report progress in this department of the Master's work. Our missionary, Brother J. H. Booth, has served the following churches during the last Associational year, viz.: Hallsville, Sharon, Maple Hill and Cedar Fork. He has preached 114 sermons, organized one church (Cedar Fork), and has baptized 23 persons and one awaiting baptism. Brethren C. M. Rock and J. M. Alderman have aided Brother Booth in meetings on the field. There is a great work before us in our Association. The Master bids us go forward. Will we obey?

Respectfully submitted,
C. E. DANIEL,
Chairman of Executive Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the above reports, the Association was addressed by J. H. Booth, C. M. Rock and E. J. Edwards. The reports were adopted.

Report on the Orphanage was read by R. C. Sandlin, as follows:

Rev. M. L. Kesler has been elected to succeed Rev. J. B. Boon, who declined to serve longer as general manager of the Orphanage. Brother Kesler is a man of fine common sense, broad sympathy and excellent judgment. He is most admirably suited for the responsible position to which he has been called. The completion of a system of waterworks has been done at an enormous cost, but it was a real necessity. The scourge of typhoid fever last fall was due to lack of sewerage, and we hope under present conditions this dreadful epidemic will not be repeated. The general condition of the Orphanage is excellent. There are 300 children there, and they are making good progress. The per capita cost of maintaining a child there is $5 per month, and this includes all the labor of all the employees. Within the last year a common dining hall has been erected, at which 225 children have their meals at the same time. Most of the money for the building was provided by a bequest in the will of the late Judge Faircloth, and it has been named the Faircloth Hall. The Eastern Association has always been loyal to the Orphanage, and we urge our churches to rally to its aid during the coming year and help to wipe out the debt that hangs over the institution.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by A. Johnson, E. J. Edwards and R. C. Sandlin. At this point a cash collection was taken for the Orphanage of $40.17, of which Charity and Children gets $22.00. Report was adopted.

Report of Finance Committee.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to offer the following report of the moneys sent to this Association, with the letters received into our

hands and paid over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor, is as follows:

Minute Fund	$ 34.31
Associational Missions	305.84
State Missions	91.64
Home Missions	69.20
Foreign Missions	79.43
Gospel Missions	21.89
Ministerial Education	54.86
Ministers' Relief	74.35
Orphanage	84.04
Sunday School Missions	1.00
Total	$ 816.56

J. D. ROBERTS,
W. J. FRYAR,
MAURY WARD,
Finance Committee.

By motion the report was adopted.

Historian's Report.

Elder J. T. Albrittton, who was appointed by this Association as Historian, read the following report, to-wit:

A SHORT HISTORY OF BEAR MARSH CHURCH.

Last year I gave a short history of the organization of the Eastern Association. I hope to give a history of the churches now belonging to this body in the papers that follow, beginning with Bear Marsh, the oldest church whose name appears on the Associational roll, except Rowan. Her house of worship stands on a high bluff overlooking the stream known as Bear Marsh, in the county of Duplin, and five or six miles east of the W. & W. Railroad. She was constituted February 25, 1763 during the administration of Arthur Dobbs, the royal Governor of the State, and at a time when Baptists were despised and slandered by the constituted authorities, and when they were not allowed to teach school or perform the marriage ceremony. They could not even build a house of worship without first getting permission from the ruling powers.

In 1760 Rev. James Reed, a missionary of the Church of England, said of the Baptists of the State, that they "are obstinate, illiterate and grossly ignorant. In 1769 George Tryon characterized them as "enemies to society and a scandal to common sense." They thought about as much of the Baptists of North Carolina as Dr. Featley and his English brethren did of the Baptists of England.

Under combined operation of the Toleration Laws and the infamous Schism Act, which were in power throughout the administration of all the royal Governors, Baptist and other dissenters were much handicapped in their efforts for educational and denominational development. The schools in Edenton, New Bern and Charlotte suffered under the operation of the Schism Act, which provided that no one under pain of three months imprisonment should teach schools, unless he had obtained license from the Bishop, had engaged to conform to the liturgy of the Episcopal Church and had received the Lord's supper in some of that denomination's churches within the year. Queen's Museum at Charlotte College, chartered in 1771, was deprived of its charter in 1773 because complaint was made to the King that the College would operate as a Seminary for the instruction of the youth in the principles of the Presbyterian Church.

As regards the building of houses of worship the court records of Craven county show that several Baptist applied June, 1730, for permission to build a house of worship. They were refused and bound over in the sum of

40 pounds each for their good behavior and their appearance at next court. They again applied in June, 1740, and were again refused and bound over to September court. They applied the third time in 1741 and the New Bern Journal of September 6th, 1883, tells us how they fared in the following editorial:

In looking over the old dusty records in the register's office, we find an entry in the minute docket of the County Court of 1741, noting the application by Baptists to be allowed to build a church in New Bern. Instead of granting the application these applicants were all publicly whipped, bound over to keep the peace and required to give bond for their good behavior, and also to take the test oath.

Anyone wishing to verify the correctness of the above quotation can do so by looking over the files of the New Bern Journal for 1883. The editor examined the records by my request, the statement having been previously made by me that Baptists had been whipped in North Carolina for no other reason than that of asking permission to build a house of worship, and that statement having been publicly denied.

There is a tradition that the Bear Marsh church was constituted in a log house that stood on the plantation at present belonging to Mr. D. F. Brock, and on which he now lives. The house stood a few yards back of his residence and near the Sollis graveyard. In the light of the foregoing facts the tradition strikes me as being true and worthy of belief. We know that many Baptist churches were in those early times organized in outhouses and private dwellings, probably because of the difficulty of getting permission to build from the constituted authorities. Brethren will bear in mind that in those days the Episcopal church was the established religion of the province and was supported by public taxation. Baptists were especially obnoxious to State establishments of religion, on account of their undying devotion throughout the country to the doctrine of soul liberty, a doctrine which now has the support of a large part of the Christian world, and is shaking the very foundations of all religions established and maintained by law.

Elders John Nobles and Jeremiah Rhame, the latter the pastor of Red Banks Baptist Church, Pitt county, came into the Bear Marsh section by request of some Baptists living there and organized the church on the date above mentioned. The membership consisted of five males and five females. Rhame was their first pastor. In 1775 William Goodman succeeded Rhame in the pastorate and served the church till 1781, when he went southward. Charles Hines succeeded Goodman and continued in the pastorate until May, 1792. Brother Hines' pastorate was a period of great prosperity. Burkitt and Roads' History of the Kehukee Association, published in 1803, says: "Elder Hines' charge being too great, having the charge of several branches—colonies—that went out from Bear Marsh, Elder Francis Oliver, who had been exercising his gifts in the ministry, was called, ordained and took charge of Bear Marsh Church, and Elder Hines was dismissed on the 17th of May, 1792. The labors of Elder Oliver have been greatly blessed and several branches gathered. One branch is at Nahunga, in Duplin county, another at Pleasant Plains, in Wayne county" (page 289). The Nahunga church was first near Cooper's Mill, and four or five miles north of Kenansville. She worships now in a comparatively new house a few miles east of Warsaw. She is now called Johnson's. Pleasant Plains, a few miles from Seven Springs, went off several years ago to the Anti-Missionary brethren. Their house has tumbled into decay and the body has become extinct. Through the varying vicissitudes of nearly a century and a half old Bear Marsh has kept up the ordinances of religion without intermission and has for the most part adhered to the third Lord's Day in every month from the beginning of her existence. She has had her seasons of great weakness and great prosperity. At one time her roll contained but seven members, while in 1860 she had about 300 members. Her present membership is about one hundred and twenty.

In addition to the log house in which she first worshiped she has built

on the spot where stands her present house three houses of worship. The first was a creditable building for those times, but was destroyed by fire a short time before the year 1834. They rebuilt at once, and the minutes of the Goshen Association, which met at Bear Marsh Church, October, 1834, in their new house, contains this record: "Their once beautiful house, it is true, was burned up, but God has enabled them to erect another on the ground thereof, in which we now have the happiness of taking sweet council together in an Associational capacity." Some of the trees burned by the fire still stand in the grove to tell the story of the destroying flame. The present house of worship was built about forty-eight years ago, the timbers of the old house that were suitable having been worked into the new one.

Bear Marsh has held membership in five Associations. The Kehukee, the Neuse, the Cape Fear, the Goshen, and the Union (changed to Eastern in 1865). Two of these bodies were organized at Bear Marsh—the Neuse in October, 1794, and the Cape Fear in October, 1806. Many pastors have served Bear Marsh since the death of Elder Francis Oliver in 1808. Of these I have gathered the names of Allen Morris, Hillary Morris, Benjamin Davis, J. W. Wallace, Henry Swinson, Robert McNabb, L. F. Williams, C. C. Gordan, H. E. Minor, J. D. Hupham, J. N. Stallings, J. R. Oliver, J. B. Harrell, R. C. Sandling, A. C. Dixon, J. N. Tolar, W. L. Bilbro, T. J. Baker, C. G. Wells and the writer. Probably a few names have been inadvertently left out. The present pastor is Rev. Theo. J. Hood, recently ordained to the ministry at Bear Marsh.

Mount Olive Baptist Church, with which this body holds its present session, was the last colony to withdraw from the mother church. Upon application of the writer, letters were granted to him and about twenty other members to form a new church at Mount Olive. The organization was effected on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in March, 1869, a few brethren from other Baptist churches having put in their letters with us. Among the early pastors of Bear Marsh church stands out pre-eminently the name of Elder Francis Oliver. He came from Virginia to Onslow county, N. C., in early life, married soon afterwards and moved to Duplin county, settling on a plantation near Bear Marsh about 1783. Upon the same plantation his son, Benjamin, lived and died, and on which his grandson, Joseph B. Oliver, now resides. Francis Oliver was a wise leader among his fellow-citizens, and was selected to represent them in the convention of the State to consider the Federal Constitution. As before stated, he was ordained to the pastorate of Bear Marsh church May 17, 1792, which position he held until his death in 1808, which occured in Georgia, while on a visit to relatives in that State. Less than four years from the date of his ordination he was chosen to preside over the old Neuse Association, a large influential body, covering from sixteen to twenty counties, and having among his ministry such men as William and Fleet Cooper, Abram Baker, John Dellahunty, Needham Whitfield and Job Thigpen. Besides his pastoral labor, Brother Oliver did much evangelistic work, organizing and helping to organize many churches. Of course, he traveled by private conveyance, there being at that early date no railroads in the State. On one of his evangelistic tours his beloved daughter, who often accompanied him in his ministerial work, was drowned while attempting to cross a swollen stream, and he himself narrowly escaped the same fate. He left behind him two sons—John and Benjamin—who were honored and useful members of Bear Marsh church up to their death, the former serving as clerk and the latter as deacon. Brother John Oliver died about 1843 or 1844 and his brother died about 1880, having served his church with loving fidelity and the Eastern Association as Moderator for several sessions, and as chairman of the Executive Committee for a long term of years, or until age and infirmity compelled his retirement from service.

John R. Oliver, who devoted many many years of his afflicted life to the gospel ministry, was a son of Benjamin Oliver and a grandson of Francis Oliver. Being a great sufferer from rheumatism, the amount of travel and labor he accomplished was a matter of astonishment to his friends. He

entered into rest in the year 1883. Francis Oliver being dead, yet speaketh to the world through his great grandchildren, Rev. W. B. Oliver, of Florence, S. C., and Dr. R. T. Bryan, our beloved and honored missionary to China.

Should God spare my life I hope to have something to say about other churches belonging to this body at our next meeting. So many pleasant memories of the brethren who have labored among us and passed on to the better land rush upon me that I lay down my pencil with great reluctance.

By motion, this paper was thankfully received and adopted.

The Report on Periodicals was read by Rev. J. M. Alderman, as follows:

Your Committee on Periodicals is glad to report that we have better literature than ever before. The Biblical Recorder, our State organ, is better able to feed our minds and inspire our hearts. The North Carolina Baptist is worthy of praise, especially because of its attitude on the temperance question. Charity and Children should be read by every Baptist in the State, that we may keep in heart to heart touch with the Orphanage. The Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal should be carefully read, that we may be intelligent regarding our work in the Home and Foreign fields. We would also encourage the use of the literature of our Sunday School Board, of Nashville, Tenn, purchased through the Baptist Book Store, at Raleigh, N. C.

J. M. ALDERMAN,
J. E. HIGHSMITH,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman, E. J. Edwards and J. M. Page. Report was adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. Benediction by J. T. Allbritton.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by song and prayer by W. B. Rivenbark.

Report of Committee to Nominate Executive Committee.

Your Committee to Nominate Executive Committee for ensuing year begs leave to nominate the following brethren, viz.: C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray, J. A. Powell and L. Middleton.

By motion the report was adopted.

Report of Treasurer.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Brother C. E. Daniel, as follows:

C. E. Daniel to the Eastern Association debtor to amount received from Finance Committee of last Association, viz.:

State Missions	$ 54.69
Associational Missions	199.75
Foreign	70.85
Gospel Missions	11.50
Ministers' Relief	45.35
Orphanage	96.10
Ministerial Education	27.53
Home Missions	61.80
Minute Fund	38.95
Charity and Children, Johnson Church	2.58
Total received of Finance Committee	$ 609.05

Collection at Association for Orphanage	14.23
Collection for Cedar Fork Church	40.45
Received from J. C. Williams, Associational Missions	10.00
Received of Lisbon Church Associational Missions	4.00
Received of Warsaw Church, Associational Missions	10.00
Total	$ 687.73

Disbursements—

Paid to L. R. Carroll, missionary	$ 50.00
Paid to Walters Durham, Treasurer	4.69
Paid to W. H. Middleton, Treasurer of Ex. Com	117.26
Paid to W. H. Middleton, Treasurer of Ex. Com	82.49
Paid to J. H. Booth for Cedar Fork Church	40.45
Paid to Walters Durham, Foreign Missions	70.85
Paid to Walters Durham, Ministers' Relief	45.35
Paid to Walters Durham, Ministerial Education	27.53
Paid to Walters Durham, Home Missions	61.80
Paid to D. W. Herring, Gospel Missions	11.50
Paid to S. H. Averitt, Treasurer, Orphanage	110.33
Paid to S. H. Averitt, C. & C., Johnson Church	2.53
Paid to S. H. Averitt, cash collections	14.23
Paid to A. F. Robinson, clerk	38.95
Paid to W. H. Middleton, for missionary	10.00
Total	$ 687.96

On motion, the report was adopted.

By motion, W. H. Middleton, E. C. Herring and T. L. Brown were appointed a committee to audit Treasurer's report.

The committee reported as follows:

We, your Committee, have audited the above report and find it correct.

W. H. MIDDLETON,
E. C. HERRING,
T. L. BROWN,
Committee.

Brother C. E. Daniel offered his resignation as Treasurer of the Association, and by motion it was accepted. By motion, the rules were suspended and the clerk cast the vote of the Association for Maury Ward for Treasurer.

Report on Home Missions.

Owing to want of time your committee makes a very unsatisfactory report. It is with profound gratitude to God that we are able to report a gratifying increase in the work of 1905 over that of 1904. The minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention at last session reported 718 Missionaries, 10,551 Baptisms, 10,019 additions by letter; total additions, 20,570. Increase over 1904 of 102 Missionaries, 3,025 baptisms and 749 by letter; total additions, 3,773. The year closed with no debt and with a surplus of $13,720.27. The work of the Home Board embraces the cities, the foreign population, the negroes and Indians. We heartily recommend enlarged contributions from our churches for this department of our work.

JOHN T. ALBRITTON,
B. MATTHEWS,
J. H. CARLTON.

By motion, the above report was made special order for to-night at 8 o'clock.

Report on Ministerial Education.

To educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong was one of the leading objects for which

our Baptist State Convention was organized. Thus early was the need felt in the State for an educated ministry, yet this work has never enlisted a very enthusiastic support at the hands of our churches. The Board of Education, located at Wake Forest, aided sixty-one young men who were preparing themselves for preaching the Gospel last year. The Secretary estimates that he could use $5,000 annually in this work, with great advantage to the denomination. We earnestly urge that the churches of this Association grant to this cause a more generous support. We would further suggest that the students and friends of the Southern Baptist Seminary should receive contributions from our churches.

T. L. BROWN,
E. M. JOHNSON,
J. L. CARLTON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by T. L. Brown, J. M. Page, J. D. Roberts, W. B. Rivenbark, J. M. Alderman and W. H. Hagwood. Report was adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by J. H. Booth, to-wit:

Believing that the Sunday School is the Church engaged in studying and teaching the Scriptures; that this work is clearly authorized in the Bible; that it is the richest and ripest field for Christian endeavor at the present time, and that our State Convention is seeking wisely to emphasize it as a factor in our development, and that for us as churches and as an Association it presents a wide open door of splendid opportunity, your committee would earnestly recommend—

First, That all our churches put more life and energy and consecration in this important teaching work committed to them.

Second, That every Sunday School be kept open if possible every Sunday in the year.

Third, That special effort be made by fathers, superintendents and other workers to enlist in the Sunday School the adult members of our churches as well as an increasing attendance on the part of the children.

Fourth, That we encourage the organization of branch and union schools where practicable.

Fifth, That each school send full report to the Association, so that the Sunday School table in the minutes may contain complete statistics.

Sixth, That our schools provide themselves with Baptist literature, such as that furnished by our own Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tenn.

Seventh, That we arrange with our State Sunday School Secretary to hold within our territory during the coming year one or more Sunday School Institutes, with a view to training our officers and teachers and improving our Sunday School condition.

Eighth, That we heartily endorse the Sunday School department of the Baptist State Convention; that we recognize Sunday School Missions as one of our regular objects of benevolence, and that we pledge ourselves to contribute toward its maintenance and enlargement.

J. H. BOOTH,
E. C. HERRING,
J. E. BOYETTE,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman and A. Johnson. Report was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

It is peculiarly gratifying to note the progress of the Gospel in all lands to-day. Especially has the Lord blessed the work of the Southern Baptist Convention. We have missionaries now in China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina. In 1895 we had 91 missionaries in the field. To-day we have 181. Then 85 churches, now 194; then 581 baptisms for the

year, now 2,231; then, after 50 years' work, a total membership of 3,493; now 11,423; then the contributions for the year were $135,435, this year they were $283,415. Less than 10 cents on the dollar was used for expenses and over 90 cents goes to the missionaries. The Board has ten medical missionaries on the field, eight male and two female, all graduated physicians. They are doing good work. Thousands come for treatment to our hospitals and dispensaries. Thus, in addition to bodily treatment they have the Gospel message. We have now theological training schools with over one hundred now in attendance. We hope to double this number before long. The Foreign Mission Journal, the organ of our Convention, has a monthly average circulation of 31,314 copies and all expenses paid. We hope soon to increase its circulation to 50,000. We cheerfully commend it to every Baptist.

L. R. CARROLL,
C. M. BEACH,
L. MIDDLETON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by L. R. Carroll, T. L. Brown and C. M. Beach. The report was adopted.

On motion by Elder J. T. Albritton, the Constitution was amended so as to make the Executive Committee members of the Association.

Resolution by J. T. Albritton to authorize the trustees who have charge of the Warsaw High School property to convey to the Baptist Church at Warsaw one-half acre of the land on the south side of College street for the purpose of building a Baptist parsonage, and that alone. The resolution was voted down.

Report on Woman's Work was read by Brother I. D. Johnson, to-wit:

Your committee begs leave to report as follows on Woman's Work: We find eight Women's Missionary Societies in the bounds of our Association, and each raised the following amounts since last Association:

Delway	$ 3.30
Johnson's	22.27
Mount Olive	12.45
Magnolia	26.78
Kenansville	19.00
Corinth	6.60
Clinton	41.12
Warsaw	26.75
Total	$ 158.27

Respectfully submitted by
A. T. BRITT, I. D. JOHNSON,
THAD JONES, Committee.

By motion, the above report was made special order for to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 8 o'clock to-night. Benediction by J. H. Booth.

WEDNESDAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. H. Middleton, reading third chapter of Colossians, and prayer by Brother D. S. Kennedy. Called to order by the Moderator. On motion, the special order was taken up, that being the consideration of Home Missions. Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by Rev. Archibald Johnson. The report was adopted.

By motion of T. L. Brown, the Association adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Benediction by Brother Elbert N. Johnson.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. M. Beach, reading fifth chapter of 2 Corinthians, and prayer by C. M. Rock and W. B. Rivenbark. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Special order was called for and the report on Woman's Work was adopted.

Moved that B. Y. P. U. be stricken out of the list of objects and Education be inserted. The motion was carried.

Moved by C. M. Beach that pledges be taken for the different objects as they are discussed. The motion prevailed.

Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters was read by Rev. J. M. Alderman, as follows:

CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Total Number of Members.	Contributions.		Average per Member of		Average Attendance of Sunday Schools.
			Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	
Alum Springs	....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Bethel	1	107	.....	$ 73.45	.....	$ .68	....
Beulah	1	98	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Boykin's Chapel	1	65	.....	7.00	.....	.10	....
Bowden's	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Bear Marsh	1	118	105.20	54.70	.89	.46	25
Clinton	3	231	494.00	266.67	2.13	1.15	78
Concord	....	53	128.00	54.00	2.41	1.02	25
Corinth	1	149	272.00	91.88	1.82	.61	140
Delway	22	42	166.00	108.00	3.95	2.57	45
Dobson's Chapel	4	96	100.00	44.50	1.04	.46	....
Ebenezer	....	33	39.27	10.69	1.16	.32	20
Faison	5	31	.....	17.00	.....	.54	15
Hallsville	14	133	63.20	15.00	.47	.11	10
Island Creek	2	228	160.00	64.35	.70	.28	30
Ivanhoe	1	60	87.99	21.00	1.46	.35	20
Johnson's	5	147	203.00	219.29	1.38	1.49	39
Kenansville	....	78	278.00	27.70	3.56	.35	30
Lisbon	....	89	211.00	62.15	2.37	.69	22
Mt. Olive	3	184	930.00	142.40	5.05	.77	90
Maple Hill	1	40	80.75	11.00	2.01	.28	20
Magnolia	26	170	252.25	143.28	1.48	.84	80
Mt. Gilead	16	162	139.36	47.75	.80	.29	35
New Hope	....	161	125.00	134.24	.77	.83	60
Piney Grove	15	136	106.50	20.00	.75	.14	37
Poplar Grove	6	45	40.00	16.50	.84	.36	20
Rose Hill	7	45	76.00	31.00	1.66	.69	40
Snaron	....	45	40.00	10.00	.84	.22	....
Siloam	....	98	111.20	41.50	1.15	.42	45
Spring Vale	4	84	64.40	20.60	.76	.23	25
Rowan	....	45	.....	4.00	.....	.08	....
Mt. Zion	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Warsaw	1	176	483.50	98.15	2.74	.55	65
Cedar Fork	9	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	149	3169	$4756.72	$1856.80	$ 1.50	$ .58	916

We learn from the Digest of Church Letters this year—

First, That we have baptized 149 persons; last year 67.

Second, That we have a total membership of 3,169.

Third, That nine churches report no Sunday Schools. The other churches report an average attendance of 38.

Fourth, That the total average of pastors' salaries and running expenses is $1.50 per member.

Fifth, That the average contribution for mission objects is 58 cents.

Sixth, That Mount Olive and Delway have reported greatest average for runnning expenses; Hallsville and Island Creek the lowest; Delway and Johnson have reported the largest average for mission objects, and Boykins' Chapel and Rowan the smallest.

J. E. HIGHSMITH, W. H. MIDDLETON,
J. M. ALDERMAN, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman, J. D. Roberts, D. S. Kennedy, C. M. Rock, J. T. Albritton and C. M. Beach. Report was adopted.

Resolution by Elder C. M. Rock was read, as follows:

Noting the rapid growth of prohibition in our State and a demand for more stringent laws;

Resolved, therefore, That the Eastern Association put herself on record as advocating a general prohibition law for the State, and also to work to bring this to pass.

The resolution was adopted.

Report of Committee to Nominate Delegates to the Baptist State and Southern Baptist Convention.

We, your committee, nominate as delegates to Baptist Convention Thad Jones and J. M. Page, and as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention Brother C. M. Beach. C. C. EVERETT, H. G. OWEN,
W. H. HOOD, Committee.

Report adopted.

Report on Ministers' Relief.

The aid rendered our aged servants of God for the past year has been somewhat gratifying. In contributing to these faithful heralds of the Cross we have brightened their hearts and homes. There are now about thirty-eight being aided by the board, and we should show our appreciation and love for their consecrated services in pointing souls to the haven of rest, by liberally contributing of our means for their support. The amount contributed this year for this work is $74.35. These aged servants of God deserve and need a better support, and in their behalf we would earnestly ask that our contributions be increased. Respectfully submitted.

W. B. RIVENBARK, THEO. MIDDLETON,
S. A. STRICKLAND, Committee.

Report on Education.

Your committee, feeling that the growth and development of the Baptist cause in the Eastern Association depends so greatly on the proper education of our young people, urge that the churches of this Association look closely to the public and private education of all the children in their respective communities. Let us not only see to it that schools run and that the children attend, but let us be interested also in what kind of training the coming men and women receive. No man nor woman is worthy to teach the young who is not an active Christian. Seeing the mighty influence the teacher wields over the pupils, we urge that our brethren see to it that this influence leads to higher and nobler things.

I. D. JOHNSON, C. M. BEACH,
W. A. MOORE, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by C. M. Beach and J. T. Albritton. Report was adopted.

Report of Committee to Nominate Preachers and to Recommend Place for Next Session.

We, your committee, recommend that the next session of this Association meet with Lisbon Church, Sampson County, and that Rev. C. M. Rock preach the introductory sermon.

By motion, the report was adopted.

By motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay out all moneys in hand to the different objects of the Association for which they were designated.

By motion, the Clerk was allowed $15 for his services.

By motion of C. M. Rock a vote of thanks was tendered to the people of Mount Olive for their very kind and hospitable entertainment of the Association.

By motion, the roll of churches was called and pledges taken for different objects, to-wit:

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Associational Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Gospel Missions.	To Send Delegate to S. B. Conven.
Alum Springs .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel	$ 6.00	$ 6.00	$15.00	$ 8.00	$ 6.00	$ 5.00	$ 3.00	$ 4.00	.....
Beulah	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boykin's Chp..	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....
Bear Marsh...	2.50	2.50	15.00	7.50	7.50	2.50	2.50	.....	$ 1.00
Clinton	15.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	.....	.....
Concord	5.00	5.00	15.00	.....	10.00	2.50	2.50	15.00	1.00
Corinth	5.00	5.00	25.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	.....	2.00
Dobson's Chp.	3.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	.....	2.50	.....	1.00
Cedar Fork....	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Delway	15.00	13.00	35.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00	.....	2.00
Ebenezer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.25
Faison	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hallsville	3.00	2.00	15.00	2.00	7.00	.....	4.50	.....	1.00
Island Creek..	5.00	10.00	35.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	.....	2.00
Ivanhoe	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnson's	10.00	10.00	30.00	12.50	15.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	2.00
Kenansville ...	5.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	.....	2.00
Lisbon	10.00	10.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	3.00	.....	2.00
Maple Hill	1.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
Mt. Olive	20.00	20.00	50.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	.....	3.00
Magnolia	10.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	.....	1.50
New Hope	.....	3.00	25.00	.....	25.00	3.00	3.00	50.00	.....
Piney Grove...	3.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....
Poplar Grove..	2.00	.....	5.00	2.50	5.00	.....	2.50	.....	.25
Rose Hill	3.00	3.00	6.00	3.00	7.50	5.00	2.50	.....	1.00
Sharon	1.00	1.00	4.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	
Siloam	1.00	4.00	15.00	4.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	.....	1.00
Spring Vale...	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00
Warsaw	10.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	.....	3.00

Report of Trustees of Warsaw High School.

We beg leave to report as follows: That we have rented the vacant lot for the year 1905 for $15, but we have made no disposition of the school house and lot to the citizens of Warsaw, owing to other propositions made by them, which we were not at liberty to accept. Those interested in having a school at Warsaw have expressed a willingness to accept the school house and lot on the terms proposed in the resolution passed at the last Association and put $75 worth of improvements on the property each year and keep it insured, if no other disposition can be made of the same. That the present building on the lot is not large enough to accommodate the pupils in the district, should there be a special tax school voted for in the district, and it is very likely such a movement will be started in the near future. Then the public authorities could not use our school building. That the building is insured and the citizens of Warsaw have already spent $85 in repairing the building. Respectfully submitted,

L. A. BEASLY,
Chairman.
H. G. OWEN,
Secretary.

Report was spoken to by J. T. Albrittton and adopted.

The following resolution was submitted by J. T. Albritton, looking to disposition of Warsaw High School property:

Resolved, That the Trustees appointed at last session of this body, to lease to the town of Warsaw our school property north of College street in that town, be instructed and are hereby authorized to sell said school property to the town on such terms as may be agreed upon by the said Trustees and the Trustees appointed by the town, for school purposes, as set forth in last year's resolution: Provided, That when said property shall cease to be used for a non-denominational school it shall revert back to the Eastern Association.

Resolution was adopted.

On motion, the letter from Rowan church was taken from the table and discussed by R. C. Sandling and a collection was taken to aid them in building a house of worship, amounting to $17.35.

Treasurer's Receipt to Finance Committee.

Received of J. D. Roberts, W. J. Fryar and Maury Ward, Finance Committee, eight hundred and sixteen and fifty-six one-hundredths dollars, belonging to the association, as per report of said committee to this session of the Eastern Association.

Mount Olive, N. C., October 4, 1905.

C. E. DANIEL,
Treasurer of Eastern Association.

Report of the Work Done by the Missionary Societies of the Eastern Association for the Year Ending October 1, 1905.

	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Frontier Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.
Clinton, W. M. S.	$ 5.35	$ 4.19	$ 6.15	$25.63	$ 1.30	$ 42.62
Clinton, Y. L. M. S.	2.50	3.32	1.45	15.20	1.30	23.77
Clinton, Sunbeams	4.00	2.68	2.00	.....	.....	8.68
Warsaw, W. M. S.	4.75	11.00	10.75	.....	.....	26.50
Mount Olive, W. M. S.	4.00	2.00	12.55	.....	.....	21.55
Johnson's, Sunbeams	3.11	2.77	2.51	.....	.....	8.39
Magnolia, W. M. S.	2.00	6.00	6.78	12.00	.....	26.78
Kenansville, W. M. S.	2.00	4.00	4.00	.....	.....	10.00
Delway, W. M. S.	.78	.....	.....	.....	.....	.78
Total	$28.49	$35.96	$35.19	$52.83	$ 2.60	$ 168.07

MRS. W. B. STEWART,
Vice-President for Eastern Association.

On motion by J. T. Albritton the Association adjourned, to meet with the Baptist Church at Lisbon, Sampson County, N. C., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1906. Benediction by Rev. R. C. Sandling.

C. E. DANIEL, Moderator.

A. F. ROBINSON, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bear Marsh—J. T. Albritton.
Clinton—J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandling, L. M. Hobbs and C. M. Rock.
Mount Gilead—C. T. Tew.
Mount Olive—C. F. Hopper.
New Hope—W. B. Rivenbark.
Siloam—W. A. Melvin.
Delway—J. M. Alderman and T. L. Brown.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.		
	Baptisms.	By Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Died.	Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alum Springs	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	3	6
Bethel	1	....	....	....	4	2	42	65	107
Beulah	1	....	....	....	....	....	42	56	98
Boykin's Chapel	1	....	....	6	1	1	32	33	65
Bear Marsh	1	2	....	....	....	....	46	72	118
Clinton	3	11	....	4	4	7	97	134	231
Concord	....	....	....	....	1	2	21	32	53
Corinth	1	4	....	4	4	1	71	78	149
Cedar Fork	9	....	....	....	....	....	6	14	20
Dobson's Chapel	4	1	....	....	....	6	41	55	96
Delway	22	3	....	....	....	4	26	16	42
Ebenezer	....	1	....	1	1	3	16	17	33
Faison	5	2	....	1	1	2	12	16	28
Hallsville	14	....	....	....	1	1	47	86	133
Island Creek	2	....	....	2	....	6	83	145	228
Ivanhoe	1	....	....	....	....	2	25	35	60
Johnson's	*5	1	1	....	3	8	69	78	147
Kenansville	....	2	....	....	....	....	24	54	78
Lisbon	....	....	....	....	....	....	44	45	89
Maple Hill	1	....	....	....	....	....	16	24	40
Mount Gilead	16	1	1	2	....	1	63	99	162
Mount Olive	3	11	1	£4	....	10	73	111	184
Magnolia	26	17	2	....	2	1	60	110	170
New Hope	....	2	....	2	4	2	64	97	161
Piney Grove	15	3	4	....	1	7	56	80	136
Poplar Grove	6	....	....	....	1	....	19	26	45
Rowan	....	....	....	....	2	....	12	33	45
Rose Hill	7	....	....	3	....	....	22	23	45
Sharon	....	....	....	....	1	5	15	30	45
Siloam	....	4	1	....	....	4	53	45	98
Spring Vale	4	2	....	....	....	....	33	51	84
Warsaw	1	5	....	....	....	2	72	100	172

*Awaiting. £Joined other churches.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES AND TIME OF HOLDING MEETING.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICE.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Time of Meeting.
Alum Springs	.....	Gaston Kelley, Kenansville	.....
Bethel	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	Maury Ward, Rose Hill	4th Sunday.
Beulah	D. S. Kennedy, Kenansville	W. T. Britt, Turkey	3rd Sunday.
Boykin's Chapel	No Pastor	L. M. Boykin, Clinton	.....
Bear Marsh	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	Homer Brock, Mount Olive	3rd Sunday.
Clinton	Elder J. M. Page, Clinton	A. B. Carroll, Clinton	1st & 3d Sunday.
Concord	T. L. Brown, Delway	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	2nd Sunday.
Corinth	T. L. Brown, Delway	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	3rd Sunday.
Cedar Fork	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	R. H. Sloan, Hallsville	.....
Dobson's Chapel	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	Newton Brock, Kenansville	3rd Sunday.
Delway	T. L. Brown, Delway	George D. Herring, Delway	2nd Sunday.
Ebenezer	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersburg	3rd Sunday.
Faison	J. M. Page, Clinton	T. W. Smith, Faison	1st Sunday.
Hallsville	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	D W. Burton, Hallsville	2nd Sunday.
Island Creek	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	J. H. Evans, Wallace	1st Sunday.
Ivanhoe	J. A. Smith, Wilmington	C. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe	3rd Sunday.
Johnson's	T. L. Brown, Delway	L. Middleton, Warsaw	1st Sunday.
Kenansville	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	J. A. Gavin, Sr., Kenansville	4th Sunday.
Lisbon	T. L. Brown, Delway	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	4th Sunday.
Maple Hill	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	3rd Sunday.
Mt. Gilead	J. M. Alderman, Delway	B. Matthews, Taylor's Bridge	4th Sunday.
Mt. Olive	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw	B. A. Summerlin, Mount Olive	2d & 4th Sunday.
Magnolia	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1st Sunday.
Piney Grove	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	S. H. Hare, R. F. D. No. 3, Clinton	2nd Sunday.
New Hope	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. H. Carlton, Warsaw	2nd Sunday.
Poplar Grove	J. W. Bell, Faison	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	4th Sunday.
Rose Hill	J. T. Albritton, Calipso	W. C. Savage, Rose Hill	4th Sunday.
Rowan	J. W. Bell, Faison	L. H. Best, Clinton	.....
Sharon	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	W. Blanchard, Sloan	.....
Siloam	J. M. Alderman, Delway	A. A. Maynard, Kerr	3rd Sunday.
Spring Vale	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. M. Marshburn, Clinton	1st Sunday.
Warsaw	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	W. G. Owen, Warsaw	2d & 3rd Sunday.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Pastor's Salary.	Improvements.	Other Church Expense.	Totals.	Present Indebtedness.	Sunday School Expenses.	Value of Church Property.	Sunday School Missions.
Alum Springs.	$ .50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ .50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 1.00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....
Bethel.....	8.10	19.90	8.25	11.05	6.40	8.95	5.80	8.95	.....	.....	1.65	.....	.....	.....	75.10	.....	.....	400.00	.....
Beulah.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boykin's Chp.	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.80	.....	.....	.....	7.80	.....	.....	4.00	.....
Bear Marsh..	13.60	15.00	2.50	4.50	3.00	8.10	2.50	2.50	.....	5.20	2.00	100.00	.....	6.00	165.90	.....	.....	.....	1.00
Clinton	36.88	19.08	76.02	40.92	.....	50.03	10.00	23.00	8.00	26.00	.....	400.00	.....	52.60	760.67	.....	18.04	700.00	.....
Concord.....	1.00	20.00	1.10	.....	15.00	8.95	.....	1.10	.....	.....	.....	125.00	.....	.....	170.00	.....	3.00	500.00	.....
Corinth.....	3.00	38.00	6.60	7.00	.....	10.00	3.00	.....	.....	12.00	1.68	225.00	.....	5.00	363.88	.....	35.00	.....	.....
Cedar Fork...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dobson's Chp	5.60	30.00	5.00	.....	.....	5.80	.....	2.50	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	143.50	.....	.....	600.00	.....
Delway.....	9.05	46.30	7.25	12.00	3.00	21.40	4.00	4.60	.....	.....	1.25	125.00	.....	15.00	248.85	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ebenezer.....	3.84	.....	.....	1.11	.....	1.84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.30	36.00	.....	.....	42.79	.....	.....	200.00	.....
Faison.....	6.00	.....	.....	6.00	.....	2.50	.....	1.00	.....	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	17.00	.....	.....	1250.00	.....
Hallsville....	2.00	15.00	1.00	2.00	.....	5.00	2.00	3.00	.....	.....	2.00	60.00	.....	.....	92.00	12.55	.....	550.00	.....
Island Creek.	5.00	35.00	10.00	8.00	.....	4.23	2.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	125.00	.....	.....	101.23	.....	.....	600.00	.....
Ivanhoe.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.24	94.99	.....	.....	500.00	.....
Johnson's....	21.44	34.35	12.65	18.29	3.49	63.87	2.00	5.25	40.00	4.77	.....	200.00	.....	.....	422.29	.....	13.78	1000.00	2.40
Kenansville..	5.00	5.00	5.00	8.00	.....	3.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	250.00	.....	.....	277.70	.....	.....	1000.00	.....
Lisbon.....	5.00	25.00	5.55	5.00	15.00	11.60	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	273.15	.....	10.00	.....	.....
Maple Hill...	4.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.25	55.00	150.00	22.50	238.55	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead...	.....	15.00	.....	.....	21.75	7.00	2.00	2.00	.....	11.60	1.00	125.00	.....	.....	183.35	.....	.....	800.00	.....
Mt. Olive....	12.26	50.00	17.93	37.21	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	150.00	.....	675.00	.....	60.00	1072.40	.....	45.00	.....	.....
Magnolia.....	7.00	10.00	23.91	11.78	.....	27.30	4.50	5.00	10.25	2.50	.....	250.00	400.00	12.00	795.53	.....	31.29	.....	.....
New Hope....	.....	25.00	3.00	.....	55.32	43.91	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	125.00	.....	.....	133.24	.....	.....	.....	.....
Piney Grove..	3.00	5.00	.....	3.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	1.00	100.00	.....	.....	120.00	.....	.....	350.00	.....
Poplar Grove.	2.00	5.00	.....	2.50	.....	3.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	40.00	.....	.....	56.50	.....	.....	850.00	.....
Rose Hill.....	2.00	9.16	2.00	2.00	.....	3.00	.....	14.00	2.00	.....	2.00	61.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	1250.00	.....
Rowan.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sharon.....	1.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.65	40.00	.....	.....	50.65	.....	.....	.....	.....
Siloam.....	1.00	15.10	4.00	4.00	3.00	12.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	1.50	100.00	.....	.....	154.70	.....	8.20	1000.00	.....
Spring Vale..	2.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	.....	4.30	1.30	1.00	.....	.....	.....	60.00	.....	.....	80.60	.....	3.00	700.00	.....
Warsaw.....	11.00	25.00	7.10	27.55	.....	10.00	2.50	3.00	12.00	3.50	.....	400.00	100.00	30.00	681.65	.....	50.00	1500.00	.....

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Postoffices.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Periodicals. Taken.
Alum Springs											
Bethel											
Beulah	W. J. Shipp			3							
Boykin's Chapel											
Bear Marsh	C. A. Byrd	Mt. Olive	1	6	36	25	12				40
Clinton	W. B. Stewart	Clinton	1	12	115	78	12				120
Concord	W. D. Wilkins	Magnolia	1	5	30	25	12				30
Corinth	I. D. Johnson	Rose Hill	1	10	155	140	12				105
Cedar Fork											
Dobson's Chapel											
Delway											
Ebenezer	J. E. Highsmith	Parkersburg	1	4	36	20	12	$3.27	$3.90		
Faison	J. C. Hines	Faison	1	5	31	15	12				18
Hallsville	D. W. Burton	Hallsville	1	8	42	10		3.20			
Island Creek	E. Hela	Rose Hill	1	8	56	50	12				82
Ivanhoe	J. W. Gurganus	Ivanhoe	1	3	26	20	12				
Johnson's	W. H. Middleton	Warsaw	1	7	68	39	12				107
Kenansville	Thad Jones	Kenansville	1	4	40	30	12				
Lisbon	D. L. Herring	Garland	1	6	35	22	12				40
Maple Hill	D. H. Marshburn	Maple Hill	1	3	25	20	12				
Mount Gilead	E. L. Croom	Clinton	2	5	45	35	12	3.00			
Mount Olive	C. H. Horton	Mt. Olive	1	10	100	90	12				180
Magnolia	H. M. Swinson	Magnolia	1	12	100	80	12				125
New Hope	C. E. Daniel	Turkey	1	6	80	60	12				
Piney Grove	J. C. Hobbs	Keener	1	5	51	37	12	6.50			
Poplar Grove	J. W. Bell	Faison	1	4	46	20	6				
Rose Hill	W. D. Henderson	Rose Hill	1	6	90	40	12	6.00			
Rowan											
Sharon											
Siloam	D. T. Johnson	Kerr, R. F. D.	1	7	70	45	12				54
Spring Vale	A. F. Robinson	Clinton, R.F.D.4	1	4	50	25	9				50
Warsaw	S. M. Carlton	Warsaw	1	7	80	65	12				80

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MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eastern Association,

HELD WITH

Lisbon Baptist Church, Sampson Co., N. C.,

October 9th, 10th and 11th, 1906.

FOR NEXT SESSION:

Place of meeting—Clinton, N. C.
Time—Tuesday after the First Sunday in October, 1907.
Introductory Sermon—T. L. Brown,
Alternate, R. G. Kendrick.

GOLDSBORO, N. C.
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1906.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator—C. E. Daniel.....Turkey, N. C.
Clerk—A. F. Robinson.....R. F. D. No. 4, Clinton, N. C.
Treasurer—Maury Ward.....R. F. D., Rose Hill, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray, J. A. Powell
L. Middleton.

TRUSTEES OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

H. S. Boyette, J. A. Powell, H. G. Owen, S. A. Strickland, L. A. Beasley,
L. Middleton, D. L. Carlton.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

O. P. Middleton, DeLeon Carlton, C. E. Daniel, H. Gowen, S. M. Carlton,
J. A. Powell, B. L. Blackmore.

MINISTERS.

J. L. Stewart, J. M. Alderman, C. M. Rock, R. G. Kendrick, J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, D. S. Kennedy, J. M. Page, R. C. Sandling, C. F. Hopper, T. L. Brown, J. T. Albritton, W. A. Melvin.

MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION.

J. L. Stewart, J. M. Alderman, C. M. Rock, R. G. Kendrick, J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, D. S. Kennedy, J. M. Page, R. C. Sandling, C. F. Hopper, T. L. Brown.

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in Knowledge, Holiness and Comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back-biting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further agree to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and principles of God's Word.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a chairman pro tem. shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily session read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of the Association; and if any shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of officers.
5. Calling for Petitionary Letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Report of Treasurer.
11. Miscellaneous Business.
12. Incidental and routine business shall be in order at any time.
13. Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference and Executive Committee.

Art. 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the church. Provided, however, That when any church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertence the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body, and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, That our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee, in order that said committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

PROCEEDINGS.

The sixty-third annual session of the Eastern Association met with the Lisbon Baptist church, Sampson county, N. C., on October 9, 1906.

Introductory sermon was preached by J. L. Stewart, after which the Association took a recess of one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, C. E. Daniel. Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator by reading part of 10th chapter of Romans, and prayer by R. G. Kendrick.

By motion, a committee on finance was appointed, to-wit, J. A. Gavin, Jr., I. D. Johnson, W. H. Brown.

Committee on Digest of Church Letters, A. R. Herring, J. M. Alderman, J. A. Stevens.

By motion, C. M. Beach and C. M. Rock were appointed Reading Clerks.

Roll of churches was called and delegates enrolled as follows:

Alum Springs—J. L. Kelly.
Alpine—Willie Boney, Eddie Harrell, John Boney.
Bethel—J. E. Smith, Q. S. Johnson, Maury Ward.
Beulah—By Letter.
Boykin's Chapel—H. Boykin, W. W. Hobbs, O. L. Herring.
Beulah Chapel—Lucian Herring, A. D. Williamson.
Bowdens—
Bear Marsh—W. H. Brown, L. K. Nicholson.
Clinton—John A. Stevens, H. L. Stewart, W. D. Kelly.
Concord—W. J. Matthews, J. T. Drew, W. D. Wilkins.
Corinth—C. J. Rodgers, D. W. Fussell, I. D. Johnson.
Centre—
Cedar Fork—R. H. Sloan, G. W. Pickett.
Delway—W. H. Hagwood, L. W. Alderman, G. D. Herring.
Dobson's Chapel—W. H. Murray, C. J. Bradshaw, Newton Brock.
Ebenezer—J. D. McLamb, Leslie Rich, O. K. Vann.
Faison—V. N. Seawell.
Hallsville—S. S. Bostic, E. G. Bostic.
Island Creek—B. R. Mallard, J. B. Ritter.
Ivanhoe—C. C. Corbett, Frank Anders.
Johnsons—J. A. Powell, J. L. Carlton, W. H. Middleton.
Kenansville—J. A. Gavin.
Lisbon—Dallas Herring, C. H. Bronson, J. C. Robinson.
Mount Olive—R. G. Kendrick, R. A. Parker.
Mount Zion—R. H. DeVane, F. W. Newton, W. T. Devane.
Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn.
Mount Gilead—B. Matthews, J. B. Vann, Graham Peterson.
Magnolia—H. M. Swinson, Theo. Middleton.
New Hope—J. L. Carroll.
Piney Grove—L. M. Sanderson.
Poplar Grove—L. D. Rodgers.
Rose Hill—D. S. Wells.
Rowan—J. E. Britt, J. E. Burgess, Billie Peterson.
Sharon—W. D. Brock, S. S. Sloan, Willie Blanchard.
Siloam—D. T. Johnson, A. F. Jones.
Spring Vale—A. F. Robinson, T. J. H. Peterson, C. C. Robinson.
Warsaw—M. T. Murray.

By motion, the letters from Bethel, Bear Marsh, Clinton, Corinth and Island Creek churches were laid on the table.

On motion, the Association proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year.

By motion, the rules were suspended and the Clerk instructed to cast the vote of the Association for C. E. Daniel for Moderator. The vote was cast and C. E. Daniel was declared elected Moderator.

By motion, the rules were suspended and C. M. Beach instructed to cast the vote of the Association for A. F. Robinson for Clerk, which was done, and A. F. Robinson was declared elected Clerk.

On motion, the rules were suspended and the Clerk instructed to cast the vote of the Association for Maury Ward for Treasurer, which was done and Maury Ward was declared to be Treasurer.

On the call for petitionary letters, the churches from Alpine, Centre and Beaulah Chapel presented their letters, asking for membership in this body.

By motion, they were referred to a committee for investigation, to-wit., J. Stewart, R. C. Sandling, R. G. Kendrick .

By motion, the B. Y. P. U. was stricken out of our list of objects and general education inserted.

By motion, the Moderator proceeded to appoint the committees for the different objects, to-wit:

State Missions—J. M. Alderman, W. W. Hobbs, J. A. Powell.
Home Missions—J. L. Stewart, W. H. Brown, W. J. Matthews.
Foreign Missions—T. L. Brown, D. S. Kennedy, C. M. Rock.
Woman's Work—J. M. Page, I. D. Johnson, C. H. Bronson.
Orphanage—J. H. Booth, J. L. Kelly, B. Matthews.
Periodicals—W. B. Rivenbark, W. H. Hagwood, H. M. Swinson.
Ministerial Education—R. G. Kendrick, W. J. Fryar, Newton Brock.
Sunday Schools—D. S. Kennedy, S. S. Bostic, C. Bradshaw.
To Nominate Delegates to S. B. C.—W. D. Wilkins, J. L. Carroll, L. M. Sanderson.
To Nominate Executive Committee—W. B. Lamb, D. L. Herring, Lon Nicholson.
General Education—C. M. Beach, Frank Bell, H. L. Stewart.
To Nominate Preachers for Next Session—D. T. Johnson, T. J. H. Peterson, F. W. Newton.
Ministers' Relief—Maury Ward, J. B. Ritter, D. H. Marshburn.

On motion by W. B. Rivenbark, that we raise a committee on the different objects of the Association, and that they report at the next session, the motion was discussed and voted down.

By motion, the pastor and deacons of this church, with T. J. H. Peterson and Stewart Wells, were appointed a committee on devotional exercises.

By motion, the Association adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock. Benediction by W. B. Rivenbark.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. M. Page. The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The roll was called and delegates responded. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The report on State Missions was read by J. M. Alderman and the report of the Executive Committee was read by W. H. Middleton, to-wit:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions means the extension of the Gospel in destitute parts of the State. We have about 100 missionaries who are now at work. Our State Mission Board is working on a basis of $30,000 for this year. Of this amount,

the churches of the Eastern Association have raised exclusively for State Missions $203; for Associational Missions, which is in reality State Missions, but under the direction and control of our Association, we have raised $792, making for State Missions a total of $995 from our Association.

J. M. ALDERMAN,
J. A. POWELL,
W. W. HOBBS,
Committee.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

It is with pleasure we report progress in this department of our Master's kingdom. The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. Brother J. H. Booth has served the following churches, viz.: Hallsville, Sharon, Cedar Fork and Maple Hill. He has preached 108 sermons, baptized 51 persons and received 15 by letter and restoration.

Brethren Edmundson, of Raleigh, and Walton, of Burgaw, have aided him in meetings on the mission fields.

Bro. D. S. Kennedy has been serving Alum Springs church and preaching at the following points, viz.: Whaley's Chapel, Jones county; Woodland School House, Scott's School House, and Prospect. He has preached 64 sermons, received 9 members, 4 by baptism, 2 await baptism, and 3 by restoration. C. M. Rock has aided him in a meeting on the field.

While not a great deal has been accomplished at these points, we learn that the future is radiant with hope.

Respectfully submitted,
C. E. DANIEL, Chairman.

Pending the motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman, D. S. Kennedy, J. H. Booth, J. W. Bailey, C. M. Rock, J. A. Powell and Maury Ward.

On motion at this point, the roll of churches was called, and the following pledges were taken to aid in building a church at Alum Springs:

Bethel, $5; Beaulah, $5; Concord, $2; Corinth, $2; Hallsville, $2, paid; Island Creek, $5; Ivanhoe, $5; Johnson's, $10; Maple Hill, $3; Magnolia, $5; New Hope, $5; Piney Grove, $3; Rose Hill, $2, paid; Sharon, $2; Siloam, $2, paid; Spring Vale, $2; Warsaw, $5; cash collection, $41.58—Total, $106.58.

The reports were adopted.

An invitation was extended by the Moderator to visiting brethren, upon which the following brethren announced themselves: H. C. Herring, of Concord; Ed. Herring, of the South River Association; J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh; S. H. Averitt, of the Orphanage, and J. B. Newton, of the Neuse Association. They were all welcomed to seats with us.

Report of Committee to Nominate Executive Committee was read by D. L. Herring, and recommended the present incumbents, viz., C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray, J. A. Powell and L. Middleton.

Report was adopted.

On motion, any member of this body who may be in attendance at any of the other Associations may act as our representative.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by D. S. Kennedy, to-wit:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools begs leave to submit the following report: Of the 33 churches reporting to the Association, four send no statistics on Sunday Schools. The 29 making returns report:

Officers and teachers, 199; pupils enrolled, 1,893; total enrollment, 2,092; average attendance, 1,137. Total gifts for expenses and all objects, $510.66. The average gifts for the total enrollment is 24 2-5 cents.

We know that these figures are misleading and do not represent the actual facts, but the trouble is with our church clerks who do not report acurately all that is done. Many of our churches do not credit their Sunday schools

with having done any thing. This should not be so; but give credit where credit is due. We would urge our churches to greater activity in Sunday school work. We as a denomination do not seem to realize its importance as an agency of the church.

D. S. KENNEDY,
CALVIN BRADSHAW,
S. S. BOSTIC,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by D. S. Kennedy.
The report was adopted.
By motion, the Association adjourned for one hour.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. By request, we were led in special prayer by T. L. Brown for the sick daughter of Bro. J. J. Vann, of Mount Gilead church.
The report on Foreign Missions was read by T. L. Brown, to-wit:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The extension of the kingdom of Christ is the aim of missions, and the God-ordained method by which this aim is to be realized is the preaching of the Gospel. Missions had their origin in the heart of God—in a heart filled with love for a lost world. We see the beginning of this work in the work of Jesus Christ, the burden of whose message was "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." To further the completion of the work he has begun is the best possible investment of a Christian's life. We not only thus bring to the hungry heart of the world the bread of life, but we put ourselves in the way of realizing the promise of Jesus to answer prayer, to be ever present in the Christian's life and work, and to give the power of the Holy Spirit. When we remember that Southern Baptists give, on the average, only a little over seventeen cents a year to the cause of Foreign Missions, we are not at a loss to account for the dearth of spirituality so noticeable in a great many of our churches. We are glad to note that some of the churches of our Association have made a little advance over previous years in their contributions to this work. We would earnestly urge that the advancement during the coming year be more marked.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Richmond, Va., does its work under the direction of the Convention, and on the most economical basis. Six cents on the dollar meets the entire expense of managing the work in Richmond. Some of the State Boards make a small charge for collecting funds, but ninety cents out of every dollar goes directly to the missionaries on the field. The members of the Board give their time and talents to this work without charge, and only those connected with it who give their entire time to the work receive a salary.

The Board has now under appointment about 498 workers—198 missionaries and 300 native workers. Last year they reported 2,446 baptisms. Our missionaries look toward the future with great hopefulness and enthusiasm. They believe that some great multitudes will turn unto the Lord. Glorious revivals are already reported on some fields. The cry from every field is for enlargement. The missionaries are overworked and need help, while a large number of our best trained men and women are waiting to go. Last year our churches contributed $324,000. This year Southern Baptists ought to give a half million dollars to this work. Mission tracts and envelopes may be had free by applying to the Board.

We would urge, too, that the Foreign Mission Journal—25 cents a year in

clubs of ten or more—be more generally taken and read by our people as a means of informing themselves concerning this great work.

T. L. BROWN,
D. S. KENNEDY,
C. M. ROCK,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, we were addressed by T. L. Brown and C. M. Rock.

The report was adopted.

The report on Periodicals was read by W. B. Rivenbark, to-wit:

PERIODICALS.

Your committee urges that every Baptist must be intelligent in order to be useful, and to make the progress that one ought to make in the Christian life. No other agency contributes so much to the intelligence, and therefore, to the power of our people, as our periodical literature.

For seventy years the Biblical Recorder has been the approved organ of our convention. It has always been endorsed by our Associations, and we are glad to say its subscription list is larger than at any time in its history. We recommend it to our people and urge our pastors to extend its circulation whenever possible.

We also recognize the usefulness and value of the North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, The Foreign Mission Journal, The Home Field and the Sunday School Helps of our Board at Nashville, Tenn. Every Baptist should be informed as to the progress of our denomination and the different phases of our work, and by reading the above mentioned papers we get the necessary information that we cannot get in any other way.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. RIVENBARK,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
H. M. SWINSON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by W. B. Rivenbark, J. W. Bailey and J. M. Page.

The report was adopted.

The report on the Orphanage was read by J. H. Booth, as follows:

ORPHANAGE.

We have now at our Orphanage at Thomasville about 325 children. Two new buildings are in process of erection. We hope to complete them by Christmas. This will make room for about 50 children more than we have now. We have enough applications to fill these as soon as they are completed. The increased number of children, together with the increased cost of living, makes it necessary for our people to go forward in the matter of contributions. The health of the past year has been excellent, owing to a perfect system of water works and general sanitary conditions that prevail at the institution. We are trying to make the Orphanage life as nearly what the Christian home life should be as possible. We have four departments for the training of the boys, namely, the printing office, machine shops, shoe shop and farm. All of these, in addition to giving training, turn a handsome revenue into the Orphanage treasury. Brethren, do more for these (God's helpless ones) than we have been doing.

S. H. AVERITT, for Com.

Pending motion to adopt, we were addressed by S. H. Averitt.

A cash collection was taken at this point for the Orphanage, amounting to $21.69.

Report adopted.

Report of committee to whom the petitionary letters of Alpine, Centre and Beulah Chapel were referred:

Your committee to hear inquiries of and pass upon all matters touching receiving into this body the churches at Alpine, Centre and Beulah Chapel upon their petitions, respectfully report, that they have heard and fully inquired into the regularity of their organization, their church covenant and articles of faith, and are of opinion and recommend that the petitions of Alpine church and Beulah Chapel church be granted, and said churches be received as members of this body. The decision on the petition of Centre church is held up for the present for the production of certain papers, which are promised to your committee to-morrow.

R. C. SANDLING,
R. G. KENDRICK,
J. L. STEWART,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Report of committee to nominate preachers for next session was read by T. J. H. Peterson, to-wit:

FOR NEXT SESSION.

We, your committee, recommend that T. L. Brown preach the introductory sermon at our next session, and R. G. Kendrick alternate.

F. W. NEWTON,
D. T. JOHNSON,
T. J. H. PETERSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

The report on Education was read by C. M. Beach, as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee notes with pleasure the increased interest of our people generally in the great subject of education. We are sacrificing as never before that our children may have a chance for mental training and development, but we do regret that our Baptist people do not seemingly realize the importance of establishing and maintaining strong, well-equipped Baptist institutions for high school training. We would be glad to see on foot some movement looking to this end, as we believe the field is a very large and important one.

C. M. BEACH,
H. L. STEWART,
FRANK BELL,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. W. Bailey.

By motion, we adjourned till 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning. Benediction by J. L. Stewart.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by R. C. Sandling. The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The report on Education being unfinished business, was taken up and discussed by J .M. Alderman, R. G. Kendrick, T. L. Brown and Maury Ward, and adopted.

DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Report of committee to nominate delegates to S. B. C. was read by W. D. Wilkins, and recommended as delegate to S. B. C., C. M. Beach. Delegates to Baptist State Convention, D. L. Herring and T. L. Brown.

W. D. WILKINS,
L. M. SANDERSON,
J. L. CARROLL,
Committee.

Report adopted.

The report on Home Missions was read by J. L. Stewart, viz.:

HOME MISSIONS.

Your committe on Home Missions begs leave to report, that in the judgment of your committee the immense importance of this subject is not fully appreciated by our people. There is scarcely an object before us to-day more worthy of attention. This will clearly appear when we remember that Home Missions has for its object the evangelization of all the destitute sections of our South land, including Cuba and Mexico, with special reference to the towns and cities, and reflect upon what must be the results of the coming of the hundreds of thousands of immigrants annually to our shores. Many of these are deadly enemies to our views of government and religion. It requires no power of prophecy to see the menace this tendency must constantly prove to our safety unless counteracted. Of course, one way to do this would be to limit or prohibit this immigration by legislative enactment. But such a policy would be hard to reconcile with the world-wide benevolence of the Gospel. That fact that our churches do not rightly appreciate the importance of the matter is seen in their meager contributions to it in the past. We would suggest to our preachers to frequently call the attention of their people to it, and urge its importance. We rejoice in the wonderful success which seems to be attending in the main the labors of the brethren under the auspices of the Southern Baptist Convention, and pray the blessings of God upon the work.

J. L. STEWART.
W. H. BROWN,
W. J. MATHIS.
Committee.

Report adopted.

On motion, the vote was reconsidered and discussed by R. G. Kendrick, and adopted.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by R. G. Kendrick, to-wit:

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

North Carolina Baptists have, through all their history, believed in a divine call to preach, and that a man, though divinely called, needs to be trained if he is to be an efficient pastor and teacher. They have always recognized that in their day as when Galilecan fishermen were called to be preachers and apostles, God has for the most part called his preachers from poor and obscure families, and that these called need financial help in preparation for their God-given work. How they have long fostered the cause of ministerial education. It was for this purpose primarily that Wake Forest College was founded. It was for this purpose that they long ago

established and now have a committee known as the Board of Ministerial Education, located at Wake Forest, to look after the work. As wisdom is always justified of her children, so the wisdom of our Baptist fathers in early fostering this cause is justified by the rich fruit that their efforts have borne. Take from us all the men who have been aided by this Board and you take many of our picked men and leave a wide gap in the ranks of our ministry in this and other States, and in foreign lands. Take from us all that these men have accomplished, and you greatly deplete our rank and file and blot out many of our strongest churches.

Last year 58 men were aided by this Board at Wake Forest College. This year there are 76 young preachers at Wake Forest who look to this Board for aid, either in whole or in part. To meet this need no less than $5,000 will be required. The year just ending, the churches of this Association report $102.85 for this object, an average of $4.28 for the churches contributing. Nine of our churches, we are sorry to note, report nothing.

Your committee would urge that all of our churches take collections for this object, and that we endeavor to raise at least $200 for this object.

Again, we would remind our churches that every year from twelve to twenty of our preachers are aided in our Seminary at Louisville by the Student Aid Fund. To meet this need our State is asked for about $1,000. We recommend that our churches divide their contributions between the Board at Wake Forest and the Students' Aid Fund at Louisville, pro rata, and that the churches instruct the pastors to make pledges for the latter object at each meeting of our State Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
R. G. KENDRICK,
NEWTON BROCK,
W. J. FRYAR,
Committee.

R. G. Kendrick and C. M. Rock spoke to the report. Report adopted.

The report on Woman's Work was read by J. M. Page, to-wit:

WOMAN'S WORK.

Your committee begs leave to report: We find in the Eastern Association thirteen societies, five of which have made no report. The eight reporting paid for all objects this year $208.09. This is quite an increase over last year, which we note with pleasure. We believe that there are at least twelve or fifteen churches in this Association that ought to have a society that now have none. We recommend that the pastors take up this work and push it with more energy in the future.

J. M. PAGE,
C. H. BRONSON,
I. D. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, we were addressed by J. M. Page and C. M. Rock.

Report was adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee was read by W. H. Brown, as follows:

FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report that we have re-

ceived from the different churches for the following objects the following amounts:

Minute Fund	$ 43.03
Associational Missions	292.54
State Missions	69.11
Foreign Missions	73.64
Sunday School Missions	3.00
Ministerial Education	48.54
Orphanage	78.94
Gospel Missions	9.10
Home Missions	72.89
Ministerial Relief	50.10
Delegates to S. B. Convention	3.00
Total	$743.89

Which we have paid over to your Treasurer, Maury Ward, and taken his receipt therefor.

W. H. BROWN,
I. D. JOHNSON,
JOHN A. GAVIN, JR.,
Committee.

$743.89.

Received of J. A. Gavin, Jr., W. H. Brown and I. D. Johnson, Finance Committee of the Eastern Association, seven hundred forty-three and 89-100 dollars, belonging to the Association.

October 10, 1906.

MAURY WARD,
Treasurer.

Further report from the committee to investigate Petitionary Letters. We your committee have examined the papers referred to in our report, to-wit: The Covenant and Articles of Faith—respectfully recommend that Centre Church be received as a member of this body, with Alpine and Beulah Chapel.

Respectfully,

J. L. STEWART,
R. C. SANDLING,
R. G. KENDRICK,
Committee.

The report was received and committee discharged.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

The report on digest of church letters was read by A. R. Herring, to-wit:

We find paid for running expenses by churches.....$5,564.28
Missions 2,411.32

We learn from the letters this—

1st. This year we have baptized 243 persons. Last year 149 persons.

2nd. That we have a membership of 3,351.

3rd. That five Churches report no Sunday Schools.

4th. That the total average of pastor's salary and running expenses is $1.50 per member.

5th. That the average contribution for Missions per month is 71 cents.

6th. That Mount Olive and Faison have reported greater average for running expenses.

7th. That Delway and Johnson's have reported the largest average for Missions.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Total No. of Members.	Contributions.		Average per Member.		No. of students in S. S.	Permanent Improvements.
			Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.		
Alum Springs	4	13	$.....	$ 16.60	$.....	$ 1.28	....	.....
Bethel	4	111	151.50	96.81	1.36	85	....	.....
Beulah	5	106	92.73	44.02	87	41	62	.....
Boykin's Chapel	4	59	60.00	13.00	1.02	22	....	.....
Bowden's	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Bear Marsh	32	147	105.00	77.50	71	52	59	.....
Clinton	21	240	598.05	238.52	2.11	99	134	1,000.00
Concord	5	58	142.81	60.62	2.46	1.04	25	.....
Corinth	24	159	292.00	122.67	1.20	77	160	.....
Delway	9	47	142.00	132.37	3.02	2.82	114	300.00
Dobson's Chapel	....	78	102.80	54.00	1.31	69	36	.....
Ebenezer	....	28	49.98	18.74	1.78	66	30	300.00
Faison	2	39	159.05	32.00	4.07	82	71	.....
Hallsville	26	152	113.67	45.50	74	29	62	1,000.00
Island Creek	1	221	173.00	80.00	78	36	98	.....
Ivanhoe	5	41	112.00	23.37	2.73	57	23	25.00
Johnson's	5	157	220.00	288.94	1.40	1.83	70	.....
Kenansville	....	77	298.00	76.38	3.87	99	82	12.00
Lisbon	1	77	222.00	76.24	3.00	99	46	425.00
Mount Olive	12	183	1,022.50	158.81	5.08	86	126	50.00
Maple Hill	17	67	65.00	12.00	97	17	43	30.00
Magnolia	....	163	337.00	143.83	2.06	88	160	.....
Mount Gilead	....	137	230.00	50.80	1.73	37	72	.....
New Hope	13	161	219.40	165.50	1.30	1.02	85	.....
Piney Grove	6	127	107.00	14.00	83	11	62	.....
Poplar Grove	24	75	100.00	25.51	1.34	34	28	.....
Rose Hill	....	44	97.60	52.00	2.21	1.18	96	60.00
Sharon	8	52	56.00	15.00	1.07	28	69	100.00
Siloam	15	104	161.00	57.10	1.54	45	7	.....
Spring Vale	....	81	77.00	23.00	95	28	44	.....
Rowan	25	126	167.95	25.00	1.33	19	121	581.44
Mount Zion	5	25	25.00	3.00	1.00	04	24	.....
Warsaw	....	175	435.00	153.80	2.48	87	89	.....
Cedar Fork	....	21	6.25	6.70	29	32	....	77.00
Total	273	3351	$5,164.28	$2,411.33	$19.10	$ 6.50	900	$3,960.44

Report was adopted.

On motion, that the Moderator appoint a member of the Association ex-officio on the different objects of the Association to prepare a report to be presented to the next session of this body and that at our next session the other members of the committee be appointed by the Moderator to co-operate with said appointee. Pending motion to adopt, the subject was discussed by W. B. Rivenbark, R. G. Kendrick, J. M. Page, J. L. Stewart, John A. Stevens. On motion, the matter was tabled.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by Maury Ward as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

As it becometh no kingdom or commonwealth to allow her soldiers, who have borne arms in the hour of danger and need, to suffer for support in their declining years, "it occurs to your Committee on Ministerial Relief that it is far less becoming in us if we fail to sustain with the reasonable comforts of life those of our aged and infirm servants of God who carried the battles under less inviting temporal surroundings than those accompanying the younger ministers of to-day.

We recommend that such contributions be made as will sustain in reasonable comforts all of our old ministers who may need such assistance.

J. B. RITTER,
D. H. MARSHBURN,
MAURY WORD,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

The following paper was read by J. L. Stewart, to-wit

J. L. Stewart, Treasurer of the fund of Minister's Relief Society, desires to remind the Association that said Society is entirely defunct. All of its officers having died except the Treasurer, and no meeting having been held in many years. That said Treasurer still holds in his hands most of said funds much in the same shape in which it came into his hands thirty years ago—about five hundred dollars including accrued interest, and possibly more can be realized from the fund, and as he is growing old and more liable to the great change that awaits us all, he desires the advice of the Association as to what disposition shall be made of this fund and begs leave to suggest to the Association the expediency of a resolution, advising and authorizing him to reduce said funds to cash as far as practicable and turn over the same to the Relief Fund of the Baptist State Convention.

J. L. STEWART,
Treasurer of Minister's Relief Society.

On motion, the report read by J. L. Stewart was adopted, and he is hereby authorized to reduce said funds of the Ministers' Relief Society into cash and turn it over to the relief fund of the Baptist State Convention for the benefit of the aged and infirm ministers.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

History of the Eastern Association continued.

The following facts are gleaned from the minutes of 1844 and 1905:

At the organization of the Association in 1844 there were 32 churches belonging to it, with a total membership of 2,728, at the session of 1905—32 churches were represented having a membership of 3,168.

Two large colonies have withdrawn from the parent body to form the Atlantic and Wilmington Associations, besides a few churches that went into the South River Association some years ago. Thus we account for the small number of churches at present belonging to the Eastern.

In 1844 the names of 17 ministers were enrolled. In 1905 12 ministers are reported. The minutes of 1844 contain two reports and other matter pertaining to Sabbath Schools; yet no church is reported as having a Sabbath School. I know that there was a school belonging to the Goldsboro Church and conducted by C. J. Nelson, and a School connected with the Greenville Church. There was probably schools in the New Bern and Wilmington Churches and one or two others. But no report of them appears in the minutes. The minutes of 1905 report 24 schools with 150 officers and teachers and 1,407 pupils. Quarterlies and other papers taken, 1,031.

In 1844 the treasurer reported $185.48 1-2 for Education and Missions.

In 1905, the churches reported for all objects $6,760.02, and the W. M. and Sunbeams Societies of the Association reported $168.07.

Besides, the churches reported church property whose valuation was $13,250.

The above comparative statements indicate considerable advancement during the 62 years from date of organization, for which we should be devoutly thankful. Of the 32 churches connected with the Asscosiation in 1844 only 11 remain with us namely, Bear Marsh, Kenansville, Johnsons, Beaver Dam, (Magnolia), Concord, Island Creek, Rowan, Beulah, New Hope, Lisbon and Bethel. Six of these being in Duplin and five in Sampson.

It is my purpose to prepare for the next session a list of all the churches now belonging to this Association, giving the date of organization of each with such other attainable facts as may be of interest to the brethren.

I therefore, earnestly request the Clerks of the churches to forward to me by postal card or otherwise, at an early date, the time of their church's organization together with such facts concerning their organization as may be of interest to the body. I had intended to prepare said list for this Session but the date of organization of many of the churches is not in my possession; and besides such a list added to what I have already written would require more space in the minutes than could reasonably be asked for. I regret that my physical infirmities forbid my meeting with you in 1906. I hope to be with you in 1907.

Fraternally,

JOHN T. ALBRITTON,

Historian.

Report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

I, Maury Ward, Treasurer of the Eastern Association, make the following report of my receipts and disbursements of the money coming into my hands before this session:

By cash sent with letters to Session, 1905	$ 817.56
By cash paid by Spring Vale for delegate to S. B C.	25
By cash paid by Poplar Grove for delegate to S. B. C.	25
By cash paid by Hallsville for delegate to S. B. C.	1.00
By cash paid by Bethel for delegate to S. B. C.	1.00
By cash paid by Mt. Olive Associational Missions	32.00
Total	$ 852.06
To cash paid A. F. Robinson, minute fund	$ 34.81
To cash paid Braxton Craig, Orphanage	84.04
To cash paid C. E. Daniel, Gospel Missions	21.89
To cash paid W. H. Middleton, Associational Missions	305.84
To cash paid W. H. Middleton, Associational Missions	32.00
To cash paid Walters Durham, State Missions	92.14
To cash paid Walters Durham, Home Missions	69.20
To cash paid Walters Durham, Foreign Missions	74.43
To cash paid Walters Durham, Sunday School Missions	1.00
To cash paid Walters Durham, Ministers' Relief	74.35
To cash paid Walters Durham, Education	54.86
To cash paid C. M. Beach, delegate to S. B. C.	2.50
Total	$ 852.06

MAURY WARD,

Treasurer.

Lisbon, October 11th, 1906.

The report was adopted and referred to Auditing Committee but said committee failed to make their report, or at least the report is not in the Clerk's possession.

By motion, J. M. Page, John A. Stevens and A. F. Robinson were appointed a committee to prepare and have printed a lot of church letters and send six letters to each church in the Association.

On motion, to appoint a committee on Time and Place for next session, an amendment was offered by J. L. Stewart that the Roll of Churches be called and each one vote on place. The amendment prevailed and Clinton, Sampson county, was selected as the place for next session.

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES' REPORT.

Report of work done by the Missionary Societies of the Eastern Association for the year ending October 8th, 1906. Five Societies made no report.

SOCIETIES.	State Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Home Miss.	Frontier Box.	Tichenor Miss.	Expense fund.	Margaret Home.	Other objects.	Total.
Clinton W. M. S	3 30	10 55	8 40	35 80	1 25	1 00	1 00		$ 61 30
Clinton Y. L. M. S	2 25	50	3 30	9 50	75	50	50		17 30
Clinton Sunbeams	1 00	3 40	1 10					1 06	6 56
Warsaw W. M. S.	9 25	18 90	9 20						37 35
Mount Olive W. M. S.	15 00	5 70	5 00						25 70
Johnsons Sunbeams	4 07	3 41	1 58				1 74		10 80
Magnolia W. M. S.	8 40	5 90	9 40		1 80				25 50
Kenansville W. M. S	8 00	9 38	3 00		2 20				22 58
Total									$207 09

Report of Woman's Missionary Society of Clinton Baptist Church for the year ending September 30th, 1906.

Foreign Missions	$ 10 50
Home Missions	11 60
Home Mission Box	35 80
State Missions	4 50
Total	$ 62 50

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

To The Eastern Association:

The undersigned Trustees of The Warsaw High School, pursuant to the resolution passed at the last Association, respectfully report that they have sold all that part of the property at Warsaw which lies on the North side of College street at the price of $100 and the money is herewith sent to be turned over to the Association. The deed was executed to H. L. Stevens, M. E. Hobbs and L. P. Best, the committee appointed by the town to receive the same, who are also the committee of Warsaw Special Tax District, and the deed provides that when the said property ceases to be used for an undenominational school, it shall revert to the Eastern Baptist Association. Under the special tax plan, Warsaw and vicinity, is, for the first time in many years, enjoying the benefit of a good school, one that is permanent, and one that will do much good, not only for our Baptist brethren in that vicinity who, for a long time, have been deprived of local educational advantages, but for the whole community at large. For these reasons, knowing that our people are distinctly a missionary people, and that they are heartily in favor of the cause of education, we feel that we could have done no better than to let the Warsaw Special Tax District have the property at a nominal consideration, and thereby enabling our own people to enjoy some of the benefits, advance the cause of education in the county, and reach out a helping hand to some person who otherwise would be deprived of the advantages of a good school.

We have rented out the open lot on the south side of College Street, and received as rent the sum of $12.50, which is ready to be turned over to the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. BEASLEY, Chmn.,
J. A. POWELL, Secy.,
L. MIDDLETON,
H. S. BOYETTE,
H. G. OWEN,
S. A. STRICKLAND,
Board of Trustees of The Warsaw High School.

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associational Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Gospel Missions.	Students Aid Fund.
Alum Springs	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....
Alpine	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel	8 00	8 00	8 00	30 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 00
Beulah	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boykin's Chapel	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	....	1 00
Bowden's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bear Marsh	2 50	2 50	7 50	15 00	10 00	.....	2 50	....	.....
Beulah Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clinton	15 00	15 00	20 00	15 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	.....	5 00
Centre	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Concord	5 00	5 00	.....	15 00	10 00	.....	2 50	15 00	.....
Corinth	5 00	5 00	10 00	25 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	2 00
Cedar Fork	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Delway	15 00	12 00	20 00	35 00	25 00	10 00	5 00	.....	3 00
Dobson's Chapel	.....	5 00	5 00	25 00	5 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....
Ebenezer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Faison's	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	.....
Hallsville	3 00	2 00	2 00	15 00	7 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....
Island Creek	5 00	10 00	5 00	35 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	.....	2 00
Ivanhoe	3 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	..	.....
Johnson's	10 00	10 00	12 50	65 00	15 00	3 00	5 00	3 00	1 00
Kenansville	5 00	5 00	5 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00
Lisbon	10 00	5 00	10 00	15 00	10 00	5 00	3 00	.....	2 00
Mt. Zion	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Maple Hill	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt Gilead	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Olive	30 00	30 00	30 00	55 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	.....	10 00
Magnolia	7 50	7 50	15 00	22 50	10 00	5 00	5 00	.....	1 50
New Hope	5 00	5 00	.....	30 00	30 00	5 00	5 00	50 00	2 00
Piney Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Poplar Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rose Hill	3 00	3 00	3 00	6 00	7 50	5 00	2 50	.....	.....
Rowan	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	2 50	2 50	.....	1 00
Sharon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Siloam	2 00	4 00	4 00	30 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	.....	1 00
Spring Vale	2 00	2 00	4 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....
Warsaw	10 00	5 00	12 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....

By motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the Clinton Baptist Church, Sampson County, N. C., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1907.

Benediction by R. C. Sandling.

C. E. DANIEL, Moderator.

A. F. ROBINSON, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bear Marsh—J. T. Albritton.
Clinton—J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandling, J. M. Page.
Delway—J. M. Alderman, T. L. Brown.
Mount Olive—R. G. Kendrick.
Mount Gilead—C. F. Hopper.
Siloam—W. A. Melvin.
New Hope—W. B. Rivenbark.
Magnolia—C. M. Rock.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.		
	Baptisms.	By Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Died.	By Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alum Springs	4	2	1	....	....	....	5	8	13
Alpine	....	15	...	....	....	....	8	7	15
Bethel	4	1	1	1	....	...	47	64	111
Beulah	5	....	....	....	....	8	46	60	106
Bear Marsh	32	1	8	2	3	...	61	86	147
Boykin's Chapel	4	...	....	1	1	6	29	30	59
Beulah Chapel	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Clinton	21	8	...	..	1	15	99	128	240
Concord	5	1	...	1	1	....	22	36	58
Corinth	24	1	2	3	2	7	79	80	159
Cedar Fork	....	2	....	1	....	...	6	15	21
Centre	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Dobson's Chapel	....	....	....	7	1	8	34	44	78
Delway	9	6	...	....	1	7	28	19	47
Ebenezer	....	3	...	1	....	9	14	14	28
Faison's	2	4	4	1	2	....	20	19	39
Hallsville	26	4	1	2	2	2	55	97	152
Island Creek	1	1	1	1	2	10	81	140	221
Ivanhoe	5	2	1	....	1	3	21	20	41
Johnson's	5	1	.	...	3	1	72	83	157
Kenansville	....	....	4	2	...	1	26	51	77
Lisbon	1	...	....	1	....	6	40	37	77
Maple Hill	17	3	2	....	....	....	34	33	67
Mt. Gilead	....	3	2	...	....	25	52	85	137
Mt. Olive	12	6	...	16	4	3	66	117	183
Mt. Zion	5	....	....	....	...	2	12	13	25
Magnolia	....	4	....	4	....	1	57	106	163
New Hope	13	...	3	10	3	8	58	93	161
Piney Grove	6	....	....	2	4	5	57	70	127
Poplar Grove	24	1	1	....	1	1	33	42	75
Rowan	25	22	....	..	2	1	42	63	106
Rose Hill	...	6	...	....	..	4	22	22	44
Sharon	8	1	3	....	2	3	18	34	52
Siloam	15	1	2	....	1	20	56	48	104
Spring Vale	...	....	....	2	...	4	32	49	81
Warsaw	...	....	....	....	....	.	72	100	172

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSE AND TIME OF HOLDING MEETING.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Time of Meeting.
Alum Springs	D. S. Kennedy, Warsaw	Gaston Kellev, Kenansville	....
Alpine	J. B. Newton, Kerr	J. M. Hall, Alpine	....
Beulah Chapel	J. M. Page, Clinton	Claud Herring, Clinton	....
Bethel	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	Maury Ward, Rose Hill.	4
Beulah	D. S. Kennedy, Warsaw	W. T. Britt, Turkey	3
Bear Marsh	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	Ernest Faulk, Mt. Olive	1
Boykin's Chapel	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	L. M. Boykin, Clinton	3
Clinton	J. M. Page, Clinton	J. B. Faircloth, Clinton	1–3
Concord	T. L. Brown, Delway	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	2
Corinth	T. L. Brown, Delway	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	3
Cedar Fork	J. H Booth, Magnolia	R. H. Sloan, Hallsville	3
Center	.....	.....	1
Dobson's Chapel	J. M. Alderman, Delway	Newton Brock, Kenansville	1
Delway	T. L. Brown, Delway	G. D. Herring, Delway	....
Ebenezer	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	J E. Highsmith, Parkersb'g	3
Faison's	J. M. Page, Clinton	T. W. Smith, Faison	2
Hallsville	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. J. Strickland, Hallsville.	2
Island Creek	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey's.	J. H. Evans, Wallace	1
Ivanhoe	J. A. Smith, Wilmington	C. R. Corbett, Ivanho	3
Johnson's	T. L. Brown, Delway	L. Middleton, Warsaw	1
Kenansville	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	J. A. Gavin, jr., Kenansville	4
Lisbon	T. L Brown, Delway	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	4
Maple Hill	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	4
Mt. Gilead	J. M. Alderman, Delway	B. Matthews, Clinton	4
Mt. Olive	R. G. Kendrick, Mt. Olive	B. A. Summerlin, Mt. Olive	All
Mt. Zion	J. B. Newton, Kerr	R. H. Devane, Kerr	....
Magnolia	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	...
New Hope	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. H. Carlton. Warsaw	2
Piney Grove	J. L. Stewart. Clinton.	S. H. Hair, Clinton, r.f.d. 3	2
Poplar Grove	J. M. Page, Clinton	J W. Westbrook. Faison	4
Rowan	J. M. Page, Clinton	J. T. Kennedy, Moltonville	...
Rose Hill	J. T. Albritton, Calypso	J. T. Vick, Rose Hill	4
Sharon	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	Willie Blanchard, Sloan	1
Siloam	J. M. Alderman, Delway	A. A. Maynard, Kerr	3
Spring Vale	No Pastor	J. M. Marshburn, Ingold	....
Warsaw	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	H. G. Owen, Warsaw	...

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Pastor's Salary.	Minute Fund.	Improvement.	Other Church Expenses.	Total.	Sunday School Expenses.	Value of Church Property.
Alum Springs	$.....	$13 60	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 2 00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	1 00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....
Alpine	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	26 00	2 25	.....
Beulah Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel	10 00	32 00	11 60	.....	8 10	11 25	6 21	5 65	.....	.....	150 00	1 50	.....	.....	328 62	.....	500 00
Beulah	8 93	11 16	3 72	4 10	.....	19 85	.....	.....	.....	12 73	80 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	500 00
Bear Marsh	2 50	37 50	2 50	7 50	.....	7 50	2 50	2 50	15 00	1 00	100 00	2 00	.....	.....	182 00	4 00	500 00
Boykin's Chapel	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 20	1 00	1 00	3 00	.....	60 00	50	.....	.....	72 70	.....	400 00
Clinton	15 50	25 36	10 50	16 25	.....	22 25	20 00	11 50	.....	133 48	400 00	2 00	1000 00	.....	1836 57	.....	1800 00
Corinth	12 86	44 79	6 00	28 50	.....	20 10	5 00	5 00	.....	13 65	225 00	2 20	42 00	.....	42 82	25 00	.....
Concord	5 00	15 65	5 19	.....	14 40	15 33	2 50	2 50	9 95	7 86	125 00	1 00	.....	.....	205 43	.....	750 00
Cedar Fork	.....	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 50	75	77 00	.....	89 20	.....	550 00
Centre	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dotson's Chapel	3 00	30 00	5 00	5 00	.....	6 00	2 50	2 50	.....	1 80	100 00	80	.....	.....	155 80	1 00	500 00
Delway	15 00	34 40	13 00	21 05	1 00	31 52	10 05	5 35	.....	17 00	125 00	1 00	300 00	.....	232 37	.....	700 00
Ebenezer	3 62	.....	.....	2 32	.....	9 84	.....	.....	.....	3 10	36 00	56	300 00	.....	338 76	3 98	300 00
Faison	5 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	125 00	1 50	23 00	.....	192 05	6 05	1750 00
Hallsville	3 00	15 00	2 00	7 00	.....	14 00	.....	4 50	.....	1 00	112 67	2 42	100 00	.....	46 50	.....	600 00
Island Creek	5 00	35 00	10 00	5 00	.....	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	40 00	125 00	1 25	.....	.....	253 00	8 00	700 00
Ivanho	6 05	.....	2 90	4 12	.....	6 60	1 70	70	.....	15 00	95 00	1 30	25 00	.....	156 67	2 00	700 00
Johnson's	24 60	75 14	13 79	21 39	3 00	112 62	6 74	5 00	25 00	4 50	200 00	3 00	.....	.....	507 94	15 50	1000 00
Kenansville	7 50	18 50	8 00	20 38	.....	21 00	.....	1 00	5 00	1 00	250 00	1 00	12 00	21 00	393 58	26 00	1000 00
Lisbon	10 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	.....	13 24	5 00	3 00	.....	2 00	200 00	1 60	425 00	10 00	723 00	10 00	1000 00
Maple Hill	1 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	55 00	50	30 00	.....	107 00	10 00	100 00
Mt. Gilead	.....	19 50	.....	.....	22 00	3 50	4 09	1 71	.....	75 00	150 00	1 00	1 00	.....	280 70	4 00	800 00
Mt. Olive—(Colportage $7.50)	22 00	40 00	86 60	26 00	.....	24 71	10 00	10 00	18 00	106 64	400 00	2 09	50 00	96 25	1281 06	27 16	2500 00
Mt. Zion	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Magnolia	10 00	.....	12 30	58 10	.....	18 25	5 00	5 00	29 18	9 00	300 00	3 00	25 00	9 00	450 65	.....	800 00
New Hope	.....	45 00	3 00	.....	75 00	36 00	3 00	3 75	.....	9 40	200 00	1 00	.....	.....	185 80	10 00	600 00
Piney Grove	3 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	.....	8 83	1 06	1 04	.....	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	450 00
Poplar Grove	2 00	5 00	1 25	2 50	.....	8 51	5 00	1 25	.....	.....	100 00	1 50	581 44	.....	124 57	.....	350 00
Rowan	2 50	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	3 00	2 00	.....	66 45	.....	1 50	.....	.....	749 39	8 59	500 00
Rose Hill	3 00	28 00	3 00	3 00	.....	7 50	5 00	2 50	.....	1 00	75 60	1 50	60 00	15 00	187 60	6 00	1300 00
Sharon	1 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	.....	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	50 00	1 00	100 00	.....	165 00	6 10	600 00
Siloam	1 00	30 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	12 00	3 00	3 10	.....	1 00	150 00	.....	.....	.....	218 55	8 45	1000 00
Spring Vale	2 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	.....	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	75 00	75	.....	.....	100 00	2 00	700 00
Warsaw	11 50	25 00	10 00	65 00	.....	11 30	5 50	5 00	2 50	.....	400 00	.....	.....	35 00	570 80	.....	1000 00

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents and Postoffices.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Pupils	Average attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage	Missions.	Periodicals Taken.	Baptisms.
Alum Springs							$	$	$		
Alpine	J. M. Hall, Alpine	1	6	30	20	17				30	
Beulah Chapel											
Bethel											
Beulah	L. E Pope, Turkey	1		62	25						
Bear Marsh	C. A. Bird, Mt. Olive	1	6	53	35	12				48	12
Boykin's Chapel											
Clinton	W. B. Stewart, Clinton	1	12	122	78	12				175	
Corinth	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	1	10	150	120					120	23
Concord	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	1	5		25	12					5
Cedar Fork											
Centre											
Dobson Chapel	Zack Jones, Magnolia	1	6	30	12	12				60	
Delway	W. J. Fryar, Delway	1	10	104	50	12	51 00				
Ebenezer	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersb'g	1	6	24	18	12				35	
Faison	V. M. Seawell, Faison	1	7	64	31	12				86	1
Hallsville	E. S. Bostic, Hallsville	1	7	55	25	12				42	8
Island Creek	E. Heldt, Rose Hill	1	7	91	40	12				78	
Ivanhoe	J. W. Gurganus, Ivanho	1	3	20	12					72	2
Johnsons	W. H. Middleton, Warsaw	1	7	63	32	12				100	5
Kenansville	Thad Jones, Kenansville	1	7	75	50	12					
Lisbon	D. L. Herring, Garland	1	6	40	20	12				40	
Maple Hill	D. H. Marshburn, Maple Hill	1	8	35	25	12				35	8
Mount Gilead	E. L. Croom, Clinton	1	7	65	50	12				40	
Mount Olive	C. H. Horton, Mt. Olive	1	11	115	69	12				192	6
Mount Zion	F. F. Newton, Kerr	1	4	20		12				15	
Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1	14	160	125	12	50 32	10 00	2 05		6
New Hope	C. E. Daniel, Turkey	1	5	80	55	12					
Piney Grove	J. C. Hobbs, Keener, r.f.d. 1	2	5	57	40	12				50	3
Poplar Grove	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	1	3	25	25	6					22
Rowan	J. T. Kennedy, Moltonville	1	10	111			8 59				
Rose Hill	W. D. Henderson, Rose Hill	1	6	90	40	12					
Sharon	Frank Sloan, Chinquepin	1	7	62	40	12					
Siloam	D. T. Johnson, Kerr, r.f.d.	1	7			12					12
Spring Vale	A. F. Robinson, Clinton, rfd	1	4	40	30	9				30	
Warsaw	S. M. Carlton, Warsaw	1	9	80	65	12					

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Moderator—C. E. Daniel.....Turkey, N. C.
Clerk—A. F. Robinson.....R. F. D. No. 4, Clinton, N. C.
Treasury—Maury Ward .....R. F. D., Rose Hill, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. E. Daniel, J. A. Powell, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray, L. Middleton.

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H. S. Boyette, J. A. Powell, H. G. Owen, S. A. Strickland, L. A. Beasley, L. Middleton, D. L. Carlton.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL.

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J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandlin, J. M. Page, C. M. Rock, J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, J. B. Newton, C. F. Hopper, E. L. Fox, J. M. Alderman, D. S. Kennedy.

MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION.

J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandling, J. M. Page, C. M. Rock, J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, G. A. Martin, E. Lee Fox, J. M. Alderman.

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in Knowledge, Holiness and Comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back-biting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further agree to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and principles of God's Word.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a Chairman pro tem. shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily session read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of the Association; and if any shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of officers.
5. Calling for Petitionary Letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Report of Treasurer.
11. Miscellaneous Business.
12. Incidental and routine business shall be in order at any time.
13. Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference and Executive Committee.

Art. 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the church, Provided, however, That when any church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertence the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint commitees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body, and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, That our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee, in order that said committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character, and a Missionary sermon.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Sixty-Fourth Annual Session of the Eastern Association met with the Clinton Baptist Church, Clinton, Sampson County, N. C., October the 8th, 1907.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by C. M. Rock. Text: 2nd Timothy 2:15. After which the Association took a recess till 2 o'clock p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator C. E. Daniel, by reading the 23d Psalm and prayer by C. M. Beach.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The Roll of Churches was called.

On motion by J. L. Stewart the following committees were appointed by the Moderator.

Finance Committee—Thad Jones, G. D. Herring, A. J. Matthews.
Digest of Church Letters—A. R. Herring, C. C. Corbett, E. C. Herring.
Reading Clerks—C. M. Beach, V. N. Seawell.

The list of churches was called and the following delegates enrolled:

Alum Springs—Gaston Kelley.
Alpine—J. E. Boney, Ed. Harrell.
Bethel—N. F. Register, Maury Ward.
Beulah—E. T. Britt, G. R. Rodgers, J. T. Hudson.
Boykin's Chapel—L. M. Boykin, R. Page, L. M. Rich.
Beulah Chapel—J. A. Williamson, E. Williamson, C. L. Herring.
Bear Marsh—L. K. Nicholson, C. A. Byrd, Willie Boon.
Clinton—M. J. Herring, H. L. Stewart, John A. Stevens.
Concord—W. J. Matthews.
Corinth—S. E. Johnson, D. W. Fussell, N. E. Johnson.
Centre—H. L. Herring, A. J. Blackburn, J. R. Woodcock.
Cedar Fork—By letter.
Delway—C. M. Beach, G. D. Herring, J. A. Smith.
Dobson Chapel—W. H. Murray, Jack Jones, D. J. Bradshaw.
Ebenezer—G. R. Highsmith, A. J. Alderman, H. M. Newcomer.
Faison—V. N. Seawell.
Hallsville—L. W. Sandlin, I. D. Brown.
Island Creek—E. Heldt, J. F. Wallace, L. J. Teachey.
Ivanhoe—C. C. Corbett.
Johnson's—J. A. Powell, H. H. Carlton, B. Chestnutt.
Kenansville—R. B. Murray, B. C. Barden, Thad Jones.
Lisbon—E. C. Herring, A. R. Herring.
Mount Olive—Y. S. Jones, H. J. Williams.
Mount Zion—C. T. DeVane, L. N. DeVane.
Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn, W. J. Marshburn.
Mount Gilead—B. Matthews, C. T. Bland, I. W. Powell.
Magnolia—C. M. Middleton, W. W. Cook, C. A. Johnson.
New Hope—R. F. Pollock, L. V. West, J. L. Hines.
Piney Grove—J. E. Boyette, S. H. Hair.
Poplar Grove—G. W. Manly, R. C. Bell, J. W. Westbrook.
Rose Hill—W. C. Savage, W. D. Henderson.
Rowan—L. H. Best, M. A. Malpass, J. M. Boon.
Sharon—Frank Sloan, Willie Blanchard.
Siloam—J. F. Lewis, D. I. Johnson.
Springvale—A. J. Mathis, A. F. Robinson.
Warsaw—J. R. Wilson, G. G. Best, D. V. Thompson.

The election of officers being the next item of business the Association proceeded; by motion of J. L. Stewart, the Constitution was suspended and the Clerk instructed to cast the ballot of the Association for C. E Daniel for Moderator which was done, and C. E. Daniel was declared elected Moderator. And by motion the Constitution was suspended and C. M. Beach was instructed to cast the ballot of the Association for A. F. Robinson for clerk. And in like manner A. R. Herring was instructed to cast the ballot of the Association for Maury Ward for Treasurer, which was done and A. F. Robinson was declared elected Clerk and Maury Ward Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Petitionary letters were called for but none were presented. Invitation was extended to visiting brethren and the following brethren announced themselves: J. A. Williams, of the North Carolina Baptist; G. A. Martin, of Wilmington; A. S. Barnes, of the Methodist Church of Clinton, and —— Clark, of the Presbyterian Church of Clinton, and unto them was extended all the privileges of the Association except that of voting.

On motion of J. L. Stewart, the following committees were appointed by the Moderator, viz:

State Missions—J. M. Alderman, Gaston Kelley, L. Middleton.
Home Missions—Maury Ward, B. Matthews, J. R. Wilson.
Foreign Missions—J. L. Stewart, R. F. Pollock, J. E. Boyette.
Woman's Work—C. M. Beach, J. A. Stevens, E. C. Herring.
Orphanage—J. H. Booth, S. E. Johnson, W. H. Murray.
Periodicals—W. B. Rivenbark, V. N. Seawell, Joe Wilson.
Ministerial Education—R. C. Sandling, S. S. Bostic, D. H. Marshburn.
Sunday School—Thad Jones, I. D. Johnson, L. V. West.
General Education—J. M. Page, H. L. Stewart, Frank Lewis.
Ministerial Relief—J. B. Newton, J. A. Smith, David Johnson.
To Nominate Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention—G. R. Highsmith, W. W. Cook, W. W. Hobbs.
To Nominate Executive Committee—E. Heldt, Lon Nicholson.
To Nominate Preachers for next Session—J. F. Wallace, Henry Carlton, H. J. Williamson.

By motion the letters from Dobson's Chapel, Faison, Magnolia, Warsaw and Bethel were laid on the table.

The Treasurer read his report for the past year and, on motion, was received and referred to an Auditing Committee as follows: V. N. Seawell, W. D. Henderson, J. A. Williamson:

Treasurer's Report.

I, Maury Ward, Treasurer of the Eastern Association, make the following report of receipts and disbursements for the year ending with the beginning of this session of the Association, to-wit:

By cash received of the Finance Committee at Lisbon, October 11, 1906	$ 743.89
By cash received of Dr. J. H. Newbury, at Lisbon, Oct. 11, 1906	1.00
By cash received of Dobson Chapel, delegate to S. B. C.	1.00
By cash received of Siloam, delegate to S. B. C.	1.00
By cash received of Siloam, Associational Missions	4.00
By cash received, public collection, March session of the Union at Siloam	7.00
Total	$ 757.89

Disbursements:—

Paid to W. H. Middleton, Ex. Com., Associational Mis...	$ 306.54
Paid Walters Durham, State Missions	69.11

Paid Walters Durham, Home Missions	72.89
Paid Walters Durham, Foreign Missions	73.64
Paid Walters Durham, Sunday School Missions	3.00
Paid Walters Durham, Ministerial Education	48.54
Paid Walters Durham, Ministerial Relief	50.10
Paid S. H. Averitt, Orphanage	78.94
Paid A. F. Robinson, Minute Fund	43.03
Paid C. E. Daniel, Gospel Missions	9.10
Paid C. M. Beach, delegate S. B. C.	5.00
Total	$ 575.89

MAURY WARD, Treasurer.

Clinton, N. C., Oct. 8, 1907.

A committee on devotional exercises were appointed to-wit: The pastor and deacon of Clinton church and brethren D. H. Marshburn and B. Matthews.

By motion D. S. Kennedy was excused from serving on committee on Sunday Schools.

The committee on devotional exercises reported preaching to-night at half-past seven o'clock by G. A. Martin. And devotional exercises to-morrow morning at nine o'clock conducted by J. H. Booth.

By motion the Association was adjourned till half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Benediction by C. M. Rock.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. H. Booth. The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The roll of delegates was called and the minutes of yesterday's session was read and approved.

The report of the committee on State Missions was read by J. M. Alderman, as follows:

Report on State Missions.

The State Mission Board began its work seventy-seven years ago. The results amply justify the wisdom of our fathers in this great undertaking. Accurate statistics were not given by the missionaries until 1882 just twenty-five years ago. From these statistics are gathered the following interesting figures:

Number baptized by our missionaries	31,179
Churches organized on Mission fields	737
Houses of worship built on mission fields	735
Amount paid for building houses on Mission fields	$156,313.08
Sunday Schools organized by Missionaries	373

There are in the State 1,821 Missionary Baptist Churches. Seven hundred and eighty-seven, three-sevenths of these, were organized by the missionaries of the Board within the last twenty-two years. It would be entirely safe to say that at least half the Baptist Churches of North Carolina were organized by the Missionaries of the Board. It is no exaggeration to claim that two-thirds of the money that comes into the Lord's treasury for our general work, comes from churches that were organized by or were beneficiaries of our Board. Last year fifty-eight churches gave each one hundred dollars or over to Foreign Missions. Of these forty-four are churches that have been aided by the board, leaving only fourteen that had not been aided. Five churches gave last year $500 or more each to Foreign Missions; and every one of these five were founded and are fostered by the Board. It

will be seen by these facts, that in the work of State Missions, we have been laying the foundation for the enlargement of every department of work.

As much as has been done, much remains to be done. A large area of rich, virgin soil remains untouched. There are five counties in the State with only one resident Baptist pastor to the county, and that one would not be there were he not supported in large measure by the Board.

There are four county seats in no one of which is there a Baptist church or a Baptist preacher. Many towns are yet untouched, and are making urgent appeals to the Board for help. Many of the towns which the Board aided in establishing the first church, are now asking help for one or more Mission points. This is due to the rapid growth of many of our towns.

We are working this year on a basis of $40,000 including Associational Missions. There are the names of 151 missionaries on the roll book, to 90 of these on country fields is appropriated $17,288 and to the 61 on town fields is appropriated $17,339. We find of the $30,000 received last year for State Missions $18,702, or nearly two-thirds was contributed by town churches. A great door of opportunity stands before the Baptists of North Carolina, and State Missions is the key that can unlock that door. A dollar put in State Missions at many points to-day will be worth as much as ten dollars will be ten years from now. Let us increase our contributions to State Missions.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by L. Middleton, to-wit:

Report of Executive Committee.

We are glad to report progress in our mission field. The Lord has blessed the efforts of our Misisonaries. Brother J. H. Booth has served the following churches, viz: Hallsville, Sharon, Cedar Fork and Maple Hill. He also has a Mission Station at Beulaville and has organized a Sunday school at that place. He has preached 110 sermons baptized 24 persons.

Brethren Kendricks, Edmundson, and Rivenbark have aided him in meetings on his mission fields. The churches at Hallsville and Maple Hill are now self-sustaining. Brother D. S. Kennedy gives three-fourths of his time to the mission work. He has preached at the following places, viz: Alum Springs, Prospect and Tuckahoe in Jones county. Sermons preached 55. Three persons added to the church. Sunday Schools at Alum Springs and Tuckahoe.

Your committee asks the earnest co-operation of our Pastors in the work.

L. MIDDLETON, for Commitee.

Pending motion to adopt the above reports the Association was addressed by J. H. Booth, D. S. Kennedy, Braxton Craig and J. A. Powell.

The reports were adopted.

Visiting brethren, Archie Johnson, Braxton Craig, and J. B. Carlyle announced themselves and were welcomed to seats with us.

The report of the Finance Committee was read by Thad Jones and on motion was received and adopted:

Report of Finance Committee.

To the Eastern Association:

We your Committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows: We have received letters and reports from 32 churches, and from all the amounts for the different objects as stated below as follows:

For Associational Missions	$ 209.08
For State Missions	42.10
For Home Missions	42.90
For Foreign Missions	61.45
For Sunday School Missions	4.05
For Orphanage	90.05

For Ministerial Education	32.32
For Ministers' Relief	47.54
For other objects	1.00
For Minute Fund	47.67
For Student's Aid Fund	5.00
For Gospel Missions	5.35
Total	$ 588.51

We have the Treasurer's receipt for said amount from Maury Ward.

Respectfully submitted,
THAD JONES,
GEORGE D. HERRING,
A. J. MATTHEWS,
Committee.

Treasurer's Receipt.

$585.76.

Received of Thad Jones, A. J. Matthews and George D. Herring, Finance Committee, the sum of five hundred eighty-five and 76-100 dollars, belonging to the Association.

MAURY WARD, Treasurer.

October 8th, 1907.

$2.75.

Received of Finance Committee, Thad Jones, A. J. Matthews and G. D. Herring the sum of $2.75, belonging to the Association.

MAURY WARD, Treasurer.

Oct. 9th, 1907.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read by Thad Jones, as follows:

Report on Sunday Schools.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following report: Of the 33 churches reporting to the Association 2 schools send no report. Those reporting report 195 officers and teachers and 2,014 scholars. We find from said letters a membership of 3,343. From the church letters they report $4.05 for Sunday School Missions.

Your Committee realizing that the Sunday School offers and gives the greatest opportunity for teaching the Bible, and hence the greatest agency with the Church in bringing the unsaved to God and with the fact before us that in the beginning of organized Sunday school work in 1780—by Robert Raiks of Edinburg. It was tried only as an experiment, to bring the poor and ignorant classes to a higher standard of character, and after four years of hard work with paid teachers by Robert Raiks, there was only 77 males and 88 females enrolled as regular pupils; but before 1800 over one million of the people had been enrolled both in England and America in the Sunday Schools. And with the knowledge of the great Sunday school effort, and sacrifice of the consecrated men and women for God to-day and in ages past. We to-day have in all the world over twenty-six million people enlisted in the great Sunday school army of the world Thirteen millions of said members being workers in our own beloved America; and with the facts before us that an average of 85 per cent of all the additions to our churches comes from the Sunday schools, and your committee finding the responsibility of the command of the Master, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," and further knowing that the good "Master" said, "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven." We therefore feel that if the great masses are ever taught about the Lord Jesus the Sunday school teacher, and Super-

intendent must be willing and co-operative instruments with the master in teaching the way of life. Therefore we earnestly urge that every pastor in this Association preach one sermont at least during the year, especially for the Sunday school work and urge the attendance of the parents especially.

We further recommend that the Sunday schools organize a cradle roll, and home department, and that each have a decision day during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

THAD JONES,
L. V. WEST,

Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the above report the Association was addressed by Thad Jones, D. S. Ray, J. B. Newton, Braxton Craig. By motion it was laid on the table.

The report of the Committee on The Orphanage was read by J. H. Booth and on motion, was received. By motion the report was laid on the table. By motion it was taken from the table and made special order for 2 o'clock p. m.

Report on the Orphanage.

The work of the Orphanage is primarily and directly for the benefit of the child. In the plans and purposes of the Board of Trustees the child has the first place. There are 350 children at the Orphanage. They are for the most part strong and well. The health record of the institution for the past year has been remarkable. No scourge has visited the institution but if such a calamity should come there are very poor facilities for caring for the sick. The women of the State are undertaking to remedy the evil by building a suitable infirmary. The first great gift for the enterprise came from a woman of Sampson county, Mrs. Brown, of Salemburg, who has since gone to her eternal home. The per capita cost of maintaining a child at the Orphanage is $6.28 a month. This means that $71.00 a day must come into the Treasury or about $500.00 a week. Every dollar of the support fund comes from the Baptist people of North Carolina. The children are making good progress. Under the management of Rev. M. L. Kesler, the conditions have materially improved. The general policy is the same it has ever been but the facilities with which the work is done are vastly superior to what they were even a few years ago. The grounds are much more beautiful. Improved implements have been provided, and the drudgery as far as possible, has given place to a better and more sensible way of doing things. For example the little girls, who formerly had to do the heavy work at the wash tub, which they never had the strength to do, now manage a steam laundry which does the work in half the time and twice as well. And this simply illustrates the many modern improvements that have been made. The children still do the work of the orphanage, on the farms in the houses, on the grounds and everywhere. They are receiving excellent training under wise and experienced teachers.

The State owes a debt of gratitude to the Orphanage for gathering the wasting elements which are being transformed into citizenship. From the slums and the alleys, from the cross roads, grogeries, and the haunts of sin and shame these innocent children are being rescued to an atmosphere fragrant with Christian sympathy and love. The State pays not a cent for this service. The churches are receiving the greatest blessings of all for they give the Orphanage its life and hope and it is more blessed to give than to receive. The church that stands closest to the Orphanage is the one that most deeply shares its blessings. We urge our churches to increase their gifts to meet the increasing needs of the institution. Let every church within our bounds prepare to make a special thanksgiving offering

on thanksgiving day. We commend to our Sunday Schools the plan of taking monthly collections for this great institution.

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE.

On motion by W. B. Rivenbark that a committee be appointed at the beginning of our next session on special order of business. After remarks by W. B. Rivenbark and J. L. Stewart the motion was carried.

By motion the Association adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. Benediction by A. S. Barnes.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were by song and prayer by E. Lee Fox. The hour for the special order having arrived the report on the Orphanage was taken up and discussed by Archie Johnson, and a collection was taken up amounting to $18.98.

The report was adopted.

The report on general education was read by J. M. Page. Also the report of the committee on Ministerial Education was read by J. B. Carlyle, to-wit:

Report on General Education.

We rejoice to see the increased interest manifested everywhere in education. The crying need of education not only comes to the homes of the rich and well-to-do, but has penetrated the darkest corners of poverty and ignorance, and we are becoming enlightened as never before. It seems to your committee that the greatest need to-day is for better equipped and stronger Baptist Institutions of learning. To this end we are glad that the Endowment of Wake Forest College is being increased and we note with pleasure the rise in our midst of the Dell School, which we believe is destined to prove a great factor in the development of the Baptist churches of this section. We heartily commend this school to our people and urge them to support it financially and otherwise. We urge the parents to give even more attention to the training of their children than hitherto.

J. M. PAGE,
H. L. STEWART,
Committee.

Report on Ministerial Education.

Of all tasks assigned unto man by God the highest and most important, is the preaching of the glorious gospel of peace. And the importance and difficulties of this blessed ministry were never greater than now. Hence the need of an educated ministry. The preacher needs the best possible training, both of head and heart for the efficient performance of his delicate and difficult duties.

Your committee would earnestly commend the work of the Board of Education at Wake Forest College organized to aid worthy young men called to God, in their preparation for the ministry of the gospel. About fifty young men are now being helped by this board and funds are needed.

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE.

NIGHT SESSION.

The consideration of the reports on General Education and Ministerial Education being made special order for this hour they were taken up and

the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman, C. M. Beach and J. B. Carlyle. By motion the reports were adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned until half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning. Benediction by G. A. Martin.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. A. Williams. List of delegates were called and minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read by V. M. Seawell, to-wit:

Report of Auditing Committee.

We your committee to audit Treasurer's report have examined the same and find it correct.

V. N. SEAWELL,
W. D. HENDERSON,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relief was read by J. B. Newton and pending motion to adopt, we were addressed by J. B. Newton. And the report was adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief.

One serious question causes anxiety to the faithful minister of the gospel, viz: What is to become of me and my family when I am no longer able to preach? Shall we be placed upon the cold charity of the world? About seventy-years ago the Baptist Ministers' Relief Board was formed and our churches have been asked to contribute to it. Many churches are nobly responding to the call. Others who see the needs are falling into line. Last years Convention report shows an increase of twenty-five per cent over the previous year. There were thirty-one families aided by the Board. Our Eastern Association Churches reported $97.50 for this object. The Board is now in need of funds. We recommend to our churches to increase their contributions to this worthy object.

J. B. NEWTON,
D. T. JOHNSON,
J. A. SMITH,
Committee.

Report of Committee to Nominate Preachers for next session was read by J. F. Wallace, to-wit:

Report of Committee to Nominate Preachers.

We your committee to nominate preachers for next session recommend to preach the Introductory Sermon, J. M. Page; Alternate W. D. Rivenbark.

G. R. HIGHSMITH,
For Committee.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by J. L. Stewart as follows:

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Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.

We your Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report: That the Association is now in its sixty-fourth session; so that about 63 years ago our fore-fathers, in stating the object of their Union declared the primary

object to be: The promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men. This, of course, includes Associational, Home and Foreign Missions.

While some of our people and perhaps Churches are slow to fully understand this distinction in our field of work, the Foreign Mission work has been kept prominently before us through all these years. There have been, it must be admitted, seasons of depression and discouragement, along all the lines, but it is certain that in latter years Foreign Missions has taken on new life.

At the beginning of this work, many of the nations were closed against our missionaries who worked in, if at all at the peril of their lives. Few laborers offered themselves for this field. But these were the called of God and hence God's heroes. It was then difficult, strange as it may seem, to raise funds for the support of these. So evident however, has been the favor of God upon this work, that now every nation under the sun with scarcely an exception has opened its doors to our missionaries, and the call for men and money is louder and louder each year. Right nobly have the churches of our Southland responded to this call. Each year makes an improvement in contributions of money and laborers, and conversions on the field. For example, three years ago the contributions were about $250,000, two years ago about $283,000, and last year about $315,000, and the conversions about 2,000 and—in a larger ratio. The laborers offering for the work, while gratifying, has not kept pace with the contributions in money. So that while the cry formerly for money, it is now for men. Hence the churches are earnestly urged to pray for laborers to enter the harvest. Our own Association has felt the touch of this new life; and our contributions for the object are annually increasing.

We are compelled however, to report that in view of the fact that some of the most useful, zealous, earnest, and we think we can say without boasting, ablest of the missionaries to-day on the Foreign fields went out from our own Association, notably Bryan and Herring. Our contributions have not been and are not now up to the measure of our responsibility.

We hear it with heart-felt delight that our beloved and consecrated Brother David Wells Herring has deemed it proper to return to his former place under our Foreign Mission Board and now is in full accord with the policy of the Board, thus putting an end to the occasion which a few years ago some of our brethren and Churches were using as a disturbing element to the peace, harmony and good fellowship of our churches.

We very earnestly commend the Foreign Mission Journal to our people as among the efficient means of promoting this great world wide movement.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. BOYETTE,
FRANK POLLOCK,
J. L. STEWART,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by R. C. Sandling and J. B. Carlyle.

The report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by Maury Ward, and pending motion to adopt, was discussed by J. B. Newton, J. M. Alderman and adopted.

Report on Home Missions.

Your Committee believing that the territory embraced in the Home Mission field presents one of the most needy because of the vast destitution; one of the most inviting, because of the present material development; one of the most responsive and remunerative, because of the large present returns and bright future prospective results of some good work done now. We learn with pleasure that some of the churches of our Association are re-

sponding to this worthy cause and increasing their contributions, but regret to note that many of the churches have contributed very little to this cause, while five churches of our Association are responding to this worthy cause and increasing their contributions, but regret to note that many of the churches have contributed very little to this cause, while five churches of our Association have made no contributions last year to the cause.

We heartily recommend that our churches be reminded of the importance and need of this the most fertile field in the world and send contributions, as surely they will make when rightly they will consider the field, both offensively and defensively.

We urge both prayerful consideration and larger contributions of men and money to this worthy undertaking.

MAURY WARD,
B. MATTHEWS,
J. R. WILSON,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on the Warsaw High School property as read by J. L. Stewart,

Resolved, by this Association in reference to the property at Warsaw known formerly as the Warsaw High School property, that in view of the fact that, that part of said lot on which the school building stands has been sold and conveyed at a nominal consideration to the people of Warsaw and vicinity for Educational purposes, leaving only a vacant lot, said vacant lot be sold at public sale by our trustees of said property. That said trustees be instructed and empowered to make in exchange with L. W. Hodges of a small part of said lot on College street for a part of his lot on Bay street, if in the judgment of said trustees the value of said lot so changed shall be enhanced, and to sell said vacant lot so changed, or not, at public sale after due notice thereof for thirty days. Said sale to be on a credit of equal instalments of one and two years. Except 20 per cent. to be cash and the balance to be paid as aforesaid, in one and two years. Title to be reserved until said purchase money be paid in full. Said purchase money as soon as collected to be donated and paid over to the trustees of Dell School, including the money on hand from previous sales and rents; and the trustees will report fully to this Association at its next sesion of their action hereunder.

J. L. STEWART, for Com.

The resolution was adopted.

The report of the committee that belongs with the above resolution from some cause is not in my possession hence it does not appear in the minutes.

A. F. ROBINSON, Clerk.

The report of the Committee on Woman's Work was read by C. M. Beach, to-wit:

Report on Woman's Work.

The organization of the Woman's Missionary Societies is giving to us the true conception of woman's chief sphere on the great work of the churches. It is quickening and developing our women who before its organization were so largely unutilized in our efforts to evangelize the world. In the movement, the devotions to the study of mission fields and conditions is doing much to awaken and strengthen the Missionary spirit and at the same time, the introduction of methods of systematic giving is bearing fruit in the enlarged sums secured for carrying on the Mission work. We commend most heartily this earnest work of our noble women as a worthy and practical means within the churches of fulfilling the great obligations of Christian development, and of giving the gospel to the world.

We offer herewith the financial report of the earnest and efficient vice-president for this Association, Mrs. W. B. Stewart, Clinton, N. C.

State Missions	$ 56.65
Foreign Missions	90.52
Home Missions	69.00
Margaret Home	1.00
Chinese famine sufferers	4.00
Expense Fund	4.50
Objects not stated	5.40
Total	$ 231.07
Number of Missionary Societies	6
Young ladies' societies	1
Sun Beam Societies	5
Total	12

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. BEACH,
JOHN A. STEVENS,
E. C. HERRING,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by J. A. Williams and J. B. Carlyle. The report was adopted.

By motion the report on Sunday Schools was taken from the table and adopted.

Report of J. L. Stewart on a resolution adopted at the last session of the Association concerning a fund in his hands for the Old ministers Relief Society was read, received and adopted with a receipt attached thereto.

The report reads as follows:

To the Eastern Association in session at Clinton, N. C., 1907:

I, J. L. Stewart, beg leave to report to the Association that in pursuance of the resolution adopted at the last session of your body that the $500 therein mentioned, was paid to the Treasurer of the Relief Fund of the Baptist State Convention and the proper receipt taken which is herewith attached that it may be printed in the minutes. I have still some old notes belonging to said fund which I have not been able to collect and ask the Association to appoint three or five brethren from among the most prudent and experienced of its members to confer with me as to the best disposition to be made of said notes by compromise or otherwise and to audit his account of his disposition of said funds.

Respectfully,
J. L. STEWART.

The Committee appointed by the Moderator to confer with J. L. Stewart on the above report were as follows: J. M. Page, W. H. Murray, A. R. Herring, A. F. Robinson, C. M. Beach.

Receipt attached to foregoing report, to-wit:

Whereas, fifty or sixty years ago there was organized under a charter, an Association or Society within the bounds of the Union, now the Eastern Association, a Society for the relief of the old and infirm ministers of said Association; and, whereas, said Association or Society so chartered, has become defunct not having a single living officer and no meeting having been held for many years, and J. L. Stewart was appointed by the said Eastern Association to look after the funds of said Relief Society, and did so for many years, and now has on hand about five hundred dollars and made application to the last session of the said Eastern Association for direction as to the disposition of said funds and was directed to pay the

same to the Board for the relief of the old and infirm ministers of the Baptist State Convention.

Now, therefore, this instrument witnesseth that said J. L. Stewart has paid said five hundred dollars to the Treasurer of said State Board, with the understanding that the old and infirm ministers of said Association shall have the use of the same as far as practical within the rules and regulations of said State Board.

Witnesseth my hand and seal this the 25th day of March, 1907.

T. E. CHEEK, Treasurer.

C. T. THOMPSON, President.

By motion J. L. Stewart was requested to write a suitable memorial to the life of our deceased brother J. T. Albritton and report to the next session of this body.

The report of the committee to nominate delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention was read by G. R. Highsmith, viz:

Nomination of Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention.

Your Committee recommend as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, J. M. Alderman; and delegates to Baptist State Convention, J. H. Booth and Thad Jones.

Respectfully

W. W. HOBBS,
W. W. COOK,
G. R. HIGHSMITH,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

Resolution by J. M. Page was as follows:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that we regret very much having neglected to appoint committees on Obituaries and Temperance. Adopted.

On motion by C. M. Beach, that article 13 of the Constitution be amended by adding, and a Missionary sermon.

The motion was carried.

The report on Periodicals was read by W. B. Rivenbark. And pending a motion to adopt the Association was addressed by J. A. Williams and W. B. Rivenbark. The report was adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

It is clearly manifest upon the slightest observation that as the means and facilities for obtaining education are increasing, our people are becoming more and more a reading people which is a matter of congratulation, but at the same time it is a fact which should concern us to know what they are reading, for reading is both a stimulus and a guide to the thinking, and "as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

There has never been a time when it was more important for our Baptist people to wake up to the responsibility that is upon them in regard to what our people are reading. And the duty of placing in their hands and inducing them to read the very best newspapers, and religious, moral books to be had. The secular press and publishing houses, which are run for the sake of gain, are flooding the country with reading matter, much of which to speak mildly is very far from what it ought to be. The printing press is perhaps the greatest agency in the world for moulding sentiment and determining destiny except the gospel. As Baptist people we must have a Baptist literature. If we have any principles that are worth holding, they are worth stating. If the world needs our message it is important that we

use this great opportunity to give the world what God has given to us.

The pressing need in North Carolina to-day is one strong denominational paper. Since 1883 the Biblical Recorder has supplied this need and has done its work well and served the denomination faithfully in all of its work. Its great aim has been to teach the new Testament religion in all its fullness. It has expressed in literature Baptist life principles and ideals. It has united our people, it has indoctrinated them; it has upheld the hands of the pastors. It has injected into our civic life benevolence, justice and righteousness. It is now striving to establish the rising generation in Bible doctrine and life, and to reinforce the moral life of our time with militant christianity. The accomplishments are great, the aims and plans are broad.

The North Carolina Baptist was established in 1891. From the first it has stood by all the objects of the Convention. It has taken part in the growth and development of the denomination since it was established. It has been an important factor in bringing about temperance reform in the State. Its aim is to be used of God in our work in North Carolina. Charity and Children is the only newspaper owned and operated by the Baptists of North Carolina. It was established in 1887 and grown until it has a circulation of twelve thousand. Its aim has been to make a direct sentiment for the Orphanage; but it has strengthened and aided every department of our work. It should have a place at every Baptist fireside and should be taken in clubs for Sunday schools.

The Foreign Mission Journal will keep us informed and awaken our interest and enlarge our efforts in support of the Foreign Mission work. The Home field published by the Home Mission Board, of Atlanta, Ga., is commended to us as worthy of being read in order to keep informed as to the work of the Home Mission Board. The Home Field has recently become a magazine of thirty-two pages and has been wonderfully improved. The Piedmont Evangelist is a newspaper established for the advancement of evangelism in North Carolina.

The Little River Record published by J. A. Campbell is establishing itself in the minds of the people and is worthy of notice. It stands for the advancement of our cause and education of the youth of our State. We heartily recommend the above papers to our people.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. RIVENBARK,
DR. V. N. SEAWELL,
J. R. WILSON,
Committee.

The following resolution was very enthusiastically adopted.

Resolved, That this Association extend its hearty thanks and appreciation to the Clinton Baptist Church, to the Town of Clinton and to the surrounding country for the very generous and splendid entertainment of this session of the Association and to the pastor and members of the Clinton Methodist Church for their warm welcome to their house of worship.

C. M. BEACH.

The report of the Committee on Digest of Church Letters was read by A. R. Herring, remarks by J. M. Alderman, and on motion, was adopted.

Report on Digest of Church Letters, to-wit:

Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.

Your Committee finds from the letters the amount paid for running expenses of churches..... $5,782.55
Amount paid for Missions..... 2,814.00

We learn from the letters this:

1st. This year we have baptized 327 persons; last year, 243.

2nd. We have a membership of 3,598.

3rd. That six churches report no Sunday schools.

4th. That the total average per member for pastors' salary and running expenses is $1.61.

5th. That the average contribution per member for Mission objects is 78 cents.

6th. That Mount Olive and Faison have reported greater average for running expenses.

7th. Delway and Johnson have reported the greatest average for Missions.

A. R. HERRING,
For Committee.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Total Number of Members.	Contributions.		Average per Member.		No. of Students in Sunday School.	Permanent Improvement.
			Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.		
Alum Springs	2	16	$ 1 00	$ 16 00	$ 06	$ 1 00	....	$ 550 00
Alpine	....	15	25 00	8 00	1 66	54	40	.....
Bethel	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....
Beulah	25	128	86 00	20 22	67	15	66	.....
Boykin's Chapel	1	53	70 00	80	13	02	....	.....
Bowden's	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....
Bear Marsh	12	155	132 00	75 00	85	48	76	.....
Beulah Chapel	2	25	60 00	14 48	2 40	67	....	.....
Clinton	24	247	479 50	158 83	2 01	1 08	171	2043 58
Centre	4	38	37 00	26 00	1 37	68	49	.....
Concord	..	43	5 55	30 25	13	70	34	.....
Corinth	16	165	243 30	144 00	1 46	87	180	.....
Cedar Fork	10	31	19 92	6 00	64	19	41	.....
Delway	7	53	134 40	139 81	2 54	2 64	140	400 00
Dobson's Chapel	18	90	1 12	45 84	01	51	77	.....
Ebenezer	20	52	64 10	9 45	1 23	18	38	300 00
Faison	8	60	290 00	28 50	4 83	47	82	.....
Hallsville	5	155	152 51	34 00	1 00	22	26	.....
Island Creek	30	252	277 89	79 18	1 82	62	46	.....
Ivanhoe	....	49	.....	22 30	01	45	....	.....
Johnson's	16	167	207 00	493 22	1 24	2 95	84	.....
Kenansville	2	64	257 58	90 84	3 91	1 42	30	.....
Lisbon	....	75	201 00	71 82	2 65	95	45	.....
Mount Olive	14	193	833 00	474 14	4 31	2 41	165	.....
Mount Zion	2	26	25 50	1 00	1 00	44	24	.....
Maple Hill	8	74	170 10	15 00	2 30	20	35	.....
Mount Gilead	13	143	151 00	53 00	1 05	37	73	.....
Magnolia	6	181	208 50	152 69	1 15	29	138	.....
New Hope	5	167	236 00	123 50	1 57	74	85	.....
Piney Grove	7	137	101 00	24 11	73	19	53	.....
Poplar Grove	13	71	146 03	15 70	2 05	20	57	400 00
Rose Hill	1	47	141 75	33 00	3 01	70	69	.....
Rowan	25	147	157 94	41 07	1 53	40	116	.....
Sharon	....	53	40 61	16 34	73	31	....	.....
Siloam	....	103	171 25	68 90	1 66	67	57	.....
Spring Vale	18	103	116 00	29 00	1 11	27	44	15 00
Warsaw	43	219	545 00	251 77	2 47	1 14	149	.....
Total	327	3598	$5782 55	$2814 00	$ 55 23	$ 31 84	2245	$3708 58

On motion the list of churches was called and the following pledges were taken, to-wit:

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associational Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Gospel Missions.	Students Aid Fund.	Delegate to S. B. C.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ .....
Alum Springs										
Alpine	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....
Bethel	8 00	8 00	8 00	30 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	.....
Beulah	5 00	2 50	2 50	5 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boykin's Chapel	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Beulah Chapel	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Bowden's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bear Marsh	2 50	2 50	7 50	15 00	10 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....
Clinton	15 00	15 00	20 00	15 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	.....	5 00	3 00
Concord	2 50	2 50	5 00	8 00	5 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Corinth	10 00	5 00	10 00	25 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	2 00	2 00
Centre	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Forks	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Delway	20 00	20 00	20 00	35 00	25 00	10 00	5 00	.....	3 00	2 00
Dobson's Chapel	.....	5 00	7 50	25 00	5 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	1 00
Ebenezer	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	1 00
Faison	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	2 00
Hallsville	3 00	2 00	2 00	15 00	7 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	1 00
Island Creek	8 00	10 00	10 00	35 00	15 00	2 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....
Ivanhoe	3 00	2 00	3 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	50
Johnson's	10 00	10 00	12 50	40 00	25 00	3 00	5 00	.....	1 00	3 00
Kenansville	5 00	5 00	5 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	1 00
Lisbon	10 00	5 00	10 00	15 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	.....	2 00	2 00
Mount Olive	30 00	30 00	35 00	50 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	.....	10 00	5 00
Mount Zion	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....
Maple Hill	2 00	.....	3 00	4 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	1 00
Mount Gilead	.....	.....	15 00	15 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	1 00
Magnolia	10 00	5 00	20 00	22 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	2 00
New Hope	5 00	2 50	50 00	30 00	30 00	2 50	2 50	.....	.....	2 00
Piney Grove	2 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	2 50	2 00	.....	.....	1 00
Poplar Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rose Hill	4 00	4 00	4 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....
Rowan	7 50	7 50	7 50	10 00	10 00	2 50	2 50	.....	1 00	2 00
Sharon	.....	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Siloam	2 00	4 00	4 00	30 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	.....	1 00	2 00
Spring Vale	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warsaw	15 00	15 00	50 00	50 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	5 00
Total	191 00	186 00	331 50	525 50	322 00	78 00	102 00	3 00	29 00	37 50

On motion the letters of Dobson's Chapel, Faison, Magnolia, Warsaw and Bethel were taken from the table and the list of churches were called and the vote was taken on the plaec for next session of the Association, and the vote resulted in Warsaw being chosen for the place.

By motion the Association adjourned to meet with the Baptist Church at Warsaw on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1908. The closing exercises were conducted by J. L. Stewart. Song, "God be with you till we meet again," and prayer by J. L. Stewart.

C. E. DANIEL, Moderator.

A. F. ROBINSON, Clerk.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.		
	Baptisms.	By Letter.	Restored	Excluded.	Died.	By Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alum Springs	2	1	.....	.....	.....	....	5	11	16
Alpine	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	8	7	15
Bethel	2	2	.....	....	.....	2	44	66	110
Beulah	25	4	1	.....	1	3	54	74	128
Bear Marsh	12	.....	4	6	5	2	69	86	155
Boykin's Chapel	1	.....	.....	.....	1	1	32	31	63
Beulah Chapel	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	16	25
Clinton	24	7	4	5	5	5	109	138	247
Concord	1	.....	.....	5	1	9	15	25	43
Corinth	16	7	.....	4	1	3	76	89	165
Cedar Fork	10	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	17	81
Centre	4	3	.....	.....	2	1	17	17	34
Dobson's Chapel	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	215	45	90
Delway	7	3	.....	.....	.....	4	33	20	53
Ebenezer	20	1	5	1	.....	1	26	26	52
Faison	8	16	2	1	.....	5	27	33	60
Hallsville	5	1	.....	1	1	2	57	98	155
Island Creek	30	8	2	3	2	2	90	162	252
Ivanhoe	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	30	49
Johnson's	16	1	2	3	2	3	78	89	167
Kenansville	2	1	.....	2	6	3	21	43	64
Lisbon	.....	.....	.....	....	1	3	38	37	75
Maple Hill	8	1	.....	.....	.....	1	38	36	74
Mount Gilead	13	.....	5	2	.....	8	61	82	143
Mount Olive	14	7	2	6	2	5	70	128	193
Mount Zion	2	1	.....	.....	2	.....	12	13	25
Magnolia	6	6	1	2	.....	3	46	135	181
New Hope	5	3	4	.....	3	5	72	95	167
Piney Grove	7	2	.....	1	3	2	61	76	137
Poplar Grove	13	5	3	.....	1	1	40	51	91
Rowan	25	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	85	147
Rose Hill	1	6	.....	2	.....	2	21	26	47
Sharon	.....	2	.....	.....	1	1	18	35	53
Siloam	.....	4	.....	.....	2	.....	56	47	103
Spring Vale	18	7	1	.....	1	.....	42	62	104
Warsaw	43	33	2	4	.....	10	80	139	219

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES AND TIME OF HOLDING MEETING.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	TIME OF MEETING.
Alum Springs	D S. Kennedy, Kenansville, N. C	Gaston Kelly, Kenansville, N. C	Second Sunday.
Alpine	J. B. Newton, Kerr	J. M. Hall, Kerr	Fourth Sunday.
Bethel	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	Maury Ward, Rose Hill	Fourth Sunday.
Beulah	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	W. T. Britt, Turkey	Fourth Sunday.
Bear Marsh	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	E. H Faulk, Mount Olive	First Sunday.
Boykin's Chapel	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	L M. Boykin, Clinton	Third Sunday.
Beulah Chapel	J. M. Page, Clinton	C. L. Herring, Clinton	Second Sunday.
Clinton	J. M. Page, Clinton	J B. Faircloth, Clinton	First and Third.
Concord	No Pastor	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	
Corinth	No Pastor	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	
Cedar Fork	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	R H. Sloan, Hallsville	Third Sunday.
Centre	Henry Carter, Garland	H. L. Herring, Garlaud	Second Sunday.
Dobson's Chapel	J. B. Newton, Kerr	Newton Brock, Kenansville	First Sunday.
Delway	No Pastor at present	G. D. Herring, Delway	Second Sunday.
Ebenezer	M L. Mints, Buie's Creek	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersburg	Third Sunday.
Faison	J. M. Page, Clinton	T. W. Smith, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Hallsville	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. J. Strickland, Beaulahville	Second Sunday.
Island Creek	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	I. H. Evans, Wallace	First Sunday.
Ivanhoe	H. Womesley, Wilmington	C. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe	Third Sunday.
Johnson's	J. M. Page, Clinton	L. Middleton, Warsaw	Fourth Sunday.
Kenansville	No Pastor	J. A. Gavin, Jr., Kenansville	Fourth Sunday.
Lisbon	No Pastor	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	Fourth Sunday.
Maple Hill	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hlll	Fourth Sunday.
Mount Gilead	J. M. Alderman, Delway	E. L Croom, Clinton	Fourth Sunday.
Mount Olive	C. M. Rock, Mount Olive	B. A. Summerlin, Mount Olive	First and Fourth.
Mount Zion	J. B. Newton, Kerr	R. H. Devane, Tomahawk	Third Sunday.
Magnolia	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	C. M. Middleten, Magnolia	First Sunday.
New Hope	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. H. Carlton, Warsaw	Second Sunday.
Piney Grove	G. A. Baine, Dunn	S. H. Hair, Clinton	Second Sunday.
Poplar Grove	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Rowan	J. M. Page, Clinton	J. T. Kennedy, Moltonville	Second Sunday.
Rose Hill	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. T. Vick, Rose Hill	First Sunday.
Sharon	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	Willie Blanchard, Sloan	Third Sunday.
Siloam	J. M. Alderman, Delway	A. A. Maynard, Kerr	Third Sunday.
Spring Vale	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	J. M. Marshburn, Clinton	First Sunday.
Warsaw	C. M. Rock, Mount Olive	F. C. Middleton, Warsaw	Second and Third.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Sunday School Missions.	Poor.	Incidentals.	Other Objects.	Pastor's Salary.	Minute Fund.	Building and Repairs.	Other Church Expenses.	Students' Aid Fund.	Total.	Sunday School Expenses.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.
Alum Springs	$ 2 00	$ 7 00	$	$	$	$ 7 00	$	$	.....	.....	.....	.....	$	1 00	550 00	$	$	$ 567 00	$	$ 550 00	250
Alpine	1 00	1 08	1 11	1 22	.....	2 32	.....	.....	55	.....	.....	60	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 87	2 00	.....	.....
Bethel	12 00	30 00	10 85	14 40	5 35	9 30	6 50	6 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	1 50	.....	.....	1 00	240 00	.....	.....	.....
Beulah	6 77	1 00	1 51	1 01	.....	7 63	.....	.....	.....	93 22	.....	7 35	75 00	67	2 30	10 87	.....	113 44	.....	600 00	300
Bear Marsh	2 50	15 00	2 50	37 50	.....	10 00	.....	2 50	.....	23 05	.....	5 00	100 00	.....	.....	38 60	.....	.....	7 00	500 00	400
Boykin's Chapel	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	81 00	.....	400 00	400
Beulah Chapel	3 00	2 50	2 03	3 75	.....	1 70	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	52	.....	.....	.....	75 50	.....	.....	.....
Clinton	31 40	15 88	51 55	35 00	.....	53 00	15 00	10 00	.....	.....	97 58	.....	400 00	2 00	204358	.....	.....	2753 69	.....	5000 00	800
Concord	4 75	9 00	1 75	8 65	.....	5 00	.....	1 10	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	55	.....	.....	.....	35 25	.....	500 00	200
Corinth	13 40	25 00	8 55	12 25	.....	49 15	5 00	5 00	10 00	.....	.....	16 00	225 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	400 00	23 30	.....	.....
Cedar Fork	1 00	1 50	50	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	2 00	11 72	5 20	1 00	.....	.....	.....	25 92	.....	500 00	300
Centre	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	15 00	1 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	15 00	36 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	85 60	7 60	800 00	250
Dobson's Chapel	.....	25 00	5 00	5 00	.....	8 34	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 14	.....	.....	.....	46 98	.....	500 00	300
Delway	15 40	40 65	12 50	21 45	.....	27 31	10 00	5 50	4 00	.....	8 75	.....	125 00	1 25	400 00	.....	3 00	795 11	21 70	1400 00	500
Ebenezer	3 19	1 34	3 91	.....	.....	7 99	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	60 00	.....	300 00	.....	.....	390 52	12 04	300 00	300
Faison	5 00	9 50	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	105 00	15 00	150 00	2 00	5 00	.....	1 00	332 50	7 00	1750 00	300
Hallsville	3 00	15 00	2 00	2 00	.....	7 00	.....	5 00	.....	7 50	.....	70 00	150 00	2 51	.....	.....	.....	241 50	.....	600 00	400
Island Creek	15 00	27 00	10 00	2 50	.....	20 00	5 00	5 00	.....	8 37	100 00	.....	150 00	1 15	27 10	.....	2 00	380 26	7 00	700 00	500
Ivanhoe	5 35	5 00	1 60	4 10	.....	4 25	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	50	.....	.....	.....	122 30	.....	500 00	200
Johnson's	19 84	74 34	15 53	18 88	5 00	101 55	3 00	5 00	5 61	12 00	7 10	197 51	200 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	693 22	27 83	1000 00	300
Kenansville	5 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	339 00	62 00	1000 00	400
Lisbon	11 20	15 00	5 26	13 11	.....	19 25	5 00	3 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	267 46	1 00	.....	.....	.....	295 82	16 00	1200 00	300
Maple Hill	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	4 00	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	52 0	117 50	60	.....	.....	.....	186 50	12 00	700 00	250
Mount Gilead	1 45	15 00	.....	.....	28 85	2 73	2 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 65	150 00	1 50	.....	.....	.....	250 12	8 50	1000 00	300
Mount Olive	40 00	55 00	55 35	89 08	.....	77 79	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	80 44	187 00	700 00	3 00	50 00	.....	10 00	1456 88	88 82	2500 00	400
Mount Zion	1 00	1 13	1 30	2 07	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	6 05	25 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20	.....	.....
Magnolia	20 12	22 50	37 10	49 52	.....	13 05	5 00	5 00	.....	16 58	.....	6 50	200 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	429 34	53 97	2500 00	300
New Hope	.....	30 00	3 00	54 50	.....	35 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	10 00	25 00	200 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	359 50	.....	800 00	350
Piney Grove	6 88	4 00	2 23	4 00	.....	4 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	1 00	95 00	.....	.....	225 61	6 50	450 00	700
Poplar Grove	2 50	.....	2 50	3 50	.....	5 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	45 00	100 00	78	400 00	.....	.....	560 25	.....	400 00	300
Rowan	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 07	.....	10 00	2 50	2 50	.....	5 00	43 25	17 44	140 00	1 50	16 88	.....	.....	281 95	17 81	600 00	300
Rose Hill	3 00	9 00	3 00	3 00	.....	7 50	5 00	2 50	.....	.....	15 00	.....	125 00	1 75	.....	.....	.....	173 00	8 00	1250 00	500
Sharon	.....	3 00	2 00	5 34	.....	4 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	61	.....	.....	.....	56 34	.....	600 00	300
Siloam	2 00	30 00	4 00	4 00	.....	25 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	20 00	1 00	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 90	18 00	1500 00	500
Spring Vale	2 00	10 00	2 00	4 00	.....	7 22	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	75 00	1 00	15 00	.....	.....	150 22	3 00	500 00	300
Warsaw	23 60	26 51	16 32	60 98	.....	108 58	8 75	7 00	.....	20 00	45 00	.....	500 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	2386 84	70 10	3500 00	700

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Periodicals Taken.	Baptisms.	Volumes in Library.
Alum Springs	No school reported											
Alpine	J. M. Hall, Kerr	1	5	35	25	12				60		
Bethel	No school reported											
Beulah	C. E. Shipp, Turkey	1	7	66	35	12				46		
Bear Marsh	C. A. Byrd, Mt Olive	1	7	69	50	12				80	4	45
Boykin's Chapel	No school reported											
Beulah Chapel	No school reported											
Clinton	W. B. Stewart, Clinton	1	12	159	78	12				200		
Concord	J. C. Boon, Rose Hill	1	4	30		12				20		
Corinth	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	1	10	170	123	12				130	16	
Cedar Fork	B. W. Pickett, Hallsville	1	4	37	21	12				30	2	
Centre	C. I. Robinson, Clear Run	1	4	45	25	12				49		
Dobson's Chapel	W. H. Murray, Magnolia	1	6	71	40	12				50	10	
Delway	W. J. Fryar, Delway	1	16	124	72	12				148	7	
Ebenezer	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersburg	1	6	32	25	12				37		
Faison	J. H. Faison, Faison	1	7	75	48	12				90	10	
Hallsville	O. W. Scott, Hallsville	1	4	20	15	12				136		
Island Creek	E. Heldt, Rose Hill	1	6	40		12				48	9	
Ivanhoe	No school reported											
Johnsons	W. H. Middleton, Warsaw	1	7	77	44	12				172	16	
Kenansville	Thad Jones, Kenansville	1	5	23	30	12						
Lisbon	D. L. Herring, Garland	1	5	40	22	12				43		87
Maple Hill	D. H. Marshburn, Maple Hill	1	5	30	20	12				42		
Mt. Gilead	E. L. Croom, Clinton	1	6	67	40	12				40	12	
Mt. Olive	O. E. Franklin, Mt. Olive	1	10	155	98	12				200	9	
Mt. Zion	F. F. Newton, Kerr	1	4	22	16	12				60		
Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1	13	125	102	12				210	6	
New Hope	C. E. Daniel, Turkey	1	5	80	75	12					2	
	C. E. Hare, Keener		1	46	32	12				37	3	
Piney Grove	L. M. Sanderson, Clinton	2	7	64	30	12	6			38	3	30
Poplar Grove	S. K. Bradshaw, Faison	1	7	50	30	12					8	
Rowan	J. T. Kennedy, Moltonville	1	9	97	66	9				136	12	
Rose Hill	W. D. Henderson, Rose Hill	1	5	64	30	12				54		
Sharon	No school reported											
Siloam	J. F. Lewis, Kerr	1	7	50	40	12				95		
Spring Vale	A. F. Robinson, Clinton	1	4	40	25	9				50	10	
Warsaw	S. M. Carlton, Warsaw	1	9	140	100	12				150	30	

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Moderator—C. E. Daniel.....Turkey, N. C.
Clerk—H. L. Stewart.....Clinton, N. C.
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION.

J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandling, J. M. Page, C. M. Rock, J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, W. L. Britt, E. Lee Fox, J. M. Alderman, J. B. Newton.

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in Knowledge, Holiness and Comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back-biting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further agree to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and principles of God's Word.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a Chairman pro tem. shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily session read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of the Association; and if any shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of. Officers.
5. Calling for Petitionary Letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Roll call of churches after report of each Special Committee.
11. Report of Treasurer.
12. Miscellaneous Business.
13. Incidental and routine business shall be in order at any time.
14. Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference and Executive Committee.

Art. 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the church. Provided, however, That when any church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertence the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body, and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, That our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee, in order that said committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character, and a Missionary sermon.

Art 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Sixty-Fifth Annual Session of the Eastern Baptist Association met with the Warsaw Baptist Church, Warsaw, Duplin County, N. C., October 6th, 1908.

The Introductory sermon was preached by the Rev. J. M. Page. Text: Matthew 16:18.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, C. E. Daniel. H. L. Stewart was elected Clerk pro tem. The roll of Churches was called and a majority being found present, the Association proceeded to organize.

Upon motion the following committees were raised:

Finance Committee—W. J. Fryar, W. H. Hagwood, Maury Ward.
Digest of Church Letters—J. M. Alderman, C. M. Beach, C. F. Carroll.
Reading Clerks—C. M. Beach, C. F. Carroll.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, reading of the Church letters was dispensed with.

The list of Churches was called and the following delegates enrolled:

Alum Springs—Preston Chesnutt, Wooten Kornegay.
Alpine—Represented by letter.
Bethel—M. H. Oates, Maury Ward.
Beulah—Represented by letter.
Beulah Chapel—A. D. Williamson, C. L. Herring.
Beulaville—J. C. Whaley, Loyd Thomas, H. F. Carroll.
Boykin's Chapel—O. L. Herring, W. W. Hobbs.
Bear Marsh—W. H. Brown, L. K. Nicholson, C. A. Byrd.
Cedar Fork—R. H. Sloan, D. H. Sloan.
Calypso—Jas. T. Albritton, F. M. Sellars, R. A. Parker.
Centre—H. L. Herring, A. J. Blackburn.
Clinton—Jno. A. Stevens, W. D. Kelly, H. L. Stewart.
Concord—W. D. Wilkins, J. T. Drew, J. H. Alderman.
Corinth—D. W. Fussell, I. D. Johnson.
Delway—W. J. Fryar, C. M. Beach, W. H. Hagwood.
Dobson's Chapel—C. J. Bradshaw, J. W. Croom, Stephen Brock.
Ebenezer—A. K. Vann, J. E. Highsmith.
Faison—V. N. Seawell, J. H. Pierce.
Hallsville—Stokely S. Bostick, Jno. L. Manning.
Island Creek—J. F. Wallace, Ira B. Batts, J. W. Savage.
Ivanhoe—C. R. Corbett, H. W. Moore.
Johnson's—W. B. Murray, H. S. Boyette.
Kenansville—J. Gavin, Jr., J. W. Stokes, J. B. Quartermas.
Lisbon—E. C. Herring, S. S. Armstrong, A. R. Herring.
Magnolia—Theo. Middleton, M. J. Tucker, Deck Wilson.
Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn, W. J. Marshburn, W. E. Hardison.
Mount Gilead—B. Matthis, I. W. Powell, Colon Peterson.
Mount Olive—W. E. Wilkinson, O. B. Hawkins, B. A. Summerlin.
Mount Zion—Represented by letter.
New Hope—R. F. Pollock, D. W. Blanchard, A. W. Carlton.
Piney Grove—J. E. Boyette, H. K. Darden, T. H. Sanderson.
Poplar Grove—B. H. Hatcher, R. C. Bell, Geo. Manley.
Rose Hill—L. E. Moore, D. S. Wells, U. Heath.
Rowan—W. T. Robinson, L. H. Best, S. T. Wallace.
Sharon—Z. Blanchard.
Siloam—W. P. Ward, Morrell Maynard.
Spring Vale—Frank I. Robinson, L. F. Green.
Warsaw—Chas. F. Carroll, O. P. Middleton, F. M. Southerland.

Upon motion the Constitution was suspended and H. L. Stewart requested to cast the ballot of the Association for C. E. Daniel for Moderator, which was done, and C. E. Daniel was declared Moderator of the Association.

Upon motion by R. C. Sandling, the Constitution was suspended and C. M. Beach requested to cast the ballot of the Association for H. L. Stewart for Clerk, which was done, and H. L. Stewart was declared Clerk.

Upon motion, the Constitution was suspended and W. B. Rivenbark requested to cast the ballot of the Association for W. H. Middleton for Treasurer, which he did, and W. H. Middleton was declared Treasurer.

Petitionary letters were called for, and Beulaville and Calypso presented themselves for membership in our body.

Upon motion by R. C. Sandling, these letters were referred to the following committee for investigation: J. M. Alderman, R. C. Sandling, J. L. Stewart.

Invitation was extended to visiting brethren and the following announced themselves: Livingston Johnson, Secretary State Board; Hight C. Moore, of the Recorder; M. L. Kesler, of the Orphanage, and C. H. Utley. On behalf of the Association, the Moderator extended these brethren all the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, the Association took a recess until two o'clock, p. m. Benediction by M. L. Kesler.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. M. Alderman.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Upon motion by R. C. Sandling, the following committees were raised:

Foreign Missions—C. M. Rock, R. F. Pollock, B. A. Summerlin.
Home Missions—J. L. Stewart, C. L. Herring, J. W. Savage.
State Missions—J. M. Alderman, W. H. Middleton, Livingston Johnson.
Woman's Work—W. B. Rivenbark, B. Matthis, H. E. Boyette.
Orphanage—J. H. Booth, M. L. Kesler, M. H. Oates.
Ministerial Education—E. Lee Fox, V. N. Seawell, J. I. Johnson.
Periodicals—J. M. Page, Hight C. Moore, J. F. Wallace.
Sunday Schools—D. S. Kennedy, M. J. Carlton, E. C. Herring.
General Education—C. M. Beach, H. L. Stewart, Willie Moore.
Ministers' Relief—J. B. Newton, D. H. Marshburn, Ira B. Batts.
To Nominate Delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions—C. F. Carroll, R. H. Sloan, C. J. Bradshaw.
To Nominate Executive Committee—W. H. Hagwood, W. T. Robinson, Lon Nicholson.
To Nominate Preachers for Next Session—R. A. Parker, Z. Blanchard, W. J. Moore.

Upon motion by J. M. Page, a committee on Temperance was added to the above list.

Upon motion, a committee on Obituaries was added to this list.

Upon motion by J. L. Stewart, it was ordered that any brother who may visit a sister Association be considered a delegate.

The report on Periodicals was read by Hight C. Moore. The report is as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We can hardly overestimate the importance of good literature in the homes of our people. The printed page which exerts a tremendous influence for

good or ill, is a mighty agency for the dissemination of truth and the upbuilding of the Kingdom. Information is essential to interest in the work of the Lord committed to our hands. And in the diffusion of information most needful and helpful to us in our denominational work, our own Baptist periodicals not only take first rank, but merit wide patronage and perusal.

We heartily recommend: The Biblical Recorder, as the organ of our work; Charity and Children, The Foreign Mission Journal, and The Home Field.

J. M. PAGE, for Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Page, Hight C. Moore and M. L. Kesler. The report was adopted.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, the report on Foreign Missions was made the special order for Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, the Constitution was suspended and the report on State Missions (which is the special order for the second day), was read by Livingston Johnson. The report is as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

There are sixty Associations in the state of North Carolina. So far as our mission work is concerned, these may be divided into three classes:

1st. Those in which there is no destitution, and therefore, no mission work needed. There was a time, when within the territory of every Association, the Mission Board rendered assistance, and these Associations owe their present strength largely to the aid extended them in time of need. Now that they have grown strong, they should not "despise the day of small things," but should show their appreciation of what the Board did for them by contributing of their means to assist in meeting the destitution in weak and needy fields. In this way they can carry out the Scriptural injunction, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." And again "Ye which are strong should bear the infirmities of the weak."

2nd. The second class comprises those Associations which still have some destitution, but which are able to meet their own needs. Some of these Associations do their work under the name of "Associational Missions"; while others turn all their mission work over to the Board, and make their contributions through the Board. Others of this class contribute both to Associational and State Missions. They raise sufficient funds to supply all the needy fields within their own bounds, and designate this as "Associational Missions"; and in addition to this they raise funds to aid destitute fields in other sections of the State, and this is properly called State Missions. It is clear to the minds of your committee that there should be, between Associations of this class and the State Board, the closest possible co-operation. The Associational Missionaries should be numbered among the State Missionaries, and should make their reports to the Board. This will give the Association a State-wide view, and is the only way that the whole work of State Missions can be shown.

3rd. There are Associations in the State in which the destitution is so great that the Churches within their bounds cannot begin to cope with the situation. The waste places within these Associations must be cultivated by the Board, or continue to be waste places for a long time—perhaps forever. It is only as our Board receives contributions from Associations in which our cause is strong, that we are able to give the gospel to destitute sections. This is the work of State Missions, and your Committee would urge that this Association give to this department of our work liberal support.

LIVINGSTON JOHNSON,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
J. M. ALDERMAN,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by Livingston Johnson and W. L. Britt. The report was adopted.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, the Association took a recess until 7 o'clock p. m. Benediction by R. C. Sandling.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Prayer by J. M. Alderman. The Moderator being absent, by motion of C. M. Rock, C. M. Beach was made Moderator pro tem.

Invitation was extended to visiting brethren and the following announced themselves: Dr. W. C. Tyree, of Raleigh, and R. J. Bateman, of Norfolk. They were welcomed to seats with us.

The report on the Orphanage was read by M. L. Kesler. The report is as follows:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

For twenty-three years the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage has been one of the most interesting objects that comes before our people. During these years nearly one thousand fatherless and helpless children have been within its walls. There are at present 385 such children under its sheltering care. It is a home, and at the same time a school—a school for the training of hand, head and heart.

The plant consists of ten dormitories in which the children live, homes for the Treasurer and General Manager, an Infirmary for the sick, school building, general dining hall, sewing building, steam laundry, printing office, shoe shop and planing mill, two barns and other outhouses, herd of cattle, four horses and four mules, a nice lot of hogs, necessary farming tools and machinery, and 450 acres of land. To look after all this, there are twenty-five women and six men. The purpose of the institution is not simply to clothe and feed children, but to give these children the all-round training which fits them for this life and the life to come.

This task calls for a large expenditure of toil and care and money. Since this family has grown to its present number, the average expenditure is nearly $100.00 per day. The contributions during this summer and fall have not supplied the need: so that at present there is a debt of about $5,000.

During the year the Noah Richardson Library Building has been completed and the new Infirmary (Woman's Building) is nearing completion. This is perhaps the best building of its kind in the South. The large and increasing number of children calls for more and better equipment.

We would urge the following recommendations:

1. A collection in every Sunday School in the Association.
2. A club of Charity and Children in every Sunday School.
3. That special effort be made in every Church to observe Thanksgiving day and make the largest possible offering for the Orphanage. In churches that cannot meet on that day we suggest that the Sunday nearest to it be observed as Orphanage Day.

M. L. KESLER,
For Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by M. L. Kesler, R. C. Sandling, O. P. Middleton. At this juncture a collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to $16.72. The report was adopted.

W. L. Britt was asked to conduct devotional exercises Wednesday morning. Upon motion the Association adjourned to meet Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. L. Britt.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The list of churches and delegates was called. The minutes of the preceding day's session were read, corrected and approved.

Invitation was extended to visiting brethren. E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary, announced himself and was extended a cordial welcome.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by L. Middleton. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We are glad to report progress in our mission fields. The Lord has blessed the labors of our Missionaries.

Bro. J. H. Booth has served the following churches, viz.: Sharon and Cedar Fork, and has organized a church at Beulaville with 34 members. There are Sunday Schools at all three of these churches. Brethren Braxton Craig and W. B. Rivenbark have aided him in the meetings that he has held. On his mission field he has preached fifty sermons and baptized twelve persons.

Brother D. S. Kennedy gives three-fourths of his time to the mission work. He preaches at the following churches, viz.: Alum Springs, Prospect and Tuckahoe in Jones County. He has preached forty sermons and baptized six persons. There are Sunday Schools at Alum Springs and Tuckahoe. There is no church organization at any of the above places, except Alum Springs. Bro. Braxton Craig aided him in a meeting at Alum Springs.

We regret to have to report that both of our Missionaries have resigned their fields.

Respectfully submitted,

L. MIDDLETON,
For Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by D. S. Kennedy, C. M. Beach and J. B. Newton. The report was adopted.

At this juncture the Moderator appointed Committees on Temperance and Obituaries as follows:

Temperance—J. A. Stevens, O. P. Middleton, Theo. Middleton.
Obituaries—A. F. Robinson, R. C. Sandling.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by C. M. Rock.

The report is as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, are privileged to submit our report in a year when God has wonderfully blessed his people in this great war for him. We have entered upon the possession purchased by our Lord, and the God of Abraham is leading his people who have for so long been in darkness. Barriers are torn away. Hostilities are ceasing, and the people are expectant. Yea, they are calling for the Gospel of Peace. God, who has called thousands to His work, is giving great success in the Sacred Cause.

Our Foreign Mission Board in its conduct, has, for ten years, been enabled to make encouraging reports of rapid progress. Each year has been an advance on the other. Over $400,000.00 was contributed last year, and the Board was enabled to report no debt at the close of the Convention year. It is encouraging. And yet it means that we have given on an average of only 20 cents each through the year. We should feel a sense of shame over this. In our Association an average of 14 cents through the

entire year. One fact brought out at the Southern Baptist Convention was, that there were over ten thousand churches that gave nothing at all last year for Foreign Missions. In our Association of 36 churches one was among that number.

During the year 24 new missionaries were sent out. We have now in the field a force of 222 missionaries, and 334 native assistants, which means 556 workers. How few from two million Southern Baptists. Let us pray the Lord to thrust forth laborers into the field, white now, unto the harvest.

In addition to the above report, we have eight Theological Schools. These are training about 150 students, who are to go out and preach the Gospel. We are to save the people of any country through their own, therefore, we must train them in this work. The Board has sent out 12 medical missionaries, and these last year treated 38,000 patients. This reaches the hearts of the poor and sick alike. We praise God for 2,174 converts who were added by baptism during last year. God through our workers on the Foreign Fields will gather many more, if we will do our part and lay hold of the golden opportunity, and consider it a glorious privilege to do this work.

We beg that our churches will average 20 cents per member this year, and that every church will give to this glorious cause. It is sad to think that to-day there are over eight hundred millions of souls who know not of Christ, but who linger in heathen darkness. Their condition is pitiable. The men live in iniquity, the women and children grope in blight and night, and yet many decline to send them the truth. We live with plenty ourselves, and supply ourselves with luxuries of life while souls in darkness and gloom are dying without the Son of God, famishing for the Bread of Life. Our Lord says go. As God sent His Son into the world, so, He sends us. This command rings out clearly to His people, we must obey. Jesus will triumph!

We recommend to our people the Foreign Mission Journal, an excellent mission monthly, at the small cost of 25 cents per year. This Journal should be in every home. We recommend that our pastors most earnestly present the claims of a lost world; and that our pastors and people pray to God that from our bounds may go some who shall preach the glorious Gospel to those who wait in the lands of darkness and sin. Christ died for the whole world. He is calling to us to give the glad news.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. ROCK,
B. A. SUMMERLIN,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addresses by R. J. Bateman and Dr. W. C. Tyree. The report was adopted.

Moved by C. M. Beach that the Association take a recess until two o'clock p. m. Motion carried. Benediction by J. M. Page.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by J. M. Alderman.

The report on Ministers' Relief was read by J. B. Newton. The report follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

The last annual report as made by the Secretary to the Convention in Wilmington was very encouraging. Twenty-four Associations have enlisted in the work. There are thirty-four beneficiaries, as against thirty-one the previous year. Contributions are also larger.

The minutes of our Eastern Association for 1906, observed that our churches had given $97.50 to this object. A year later 1907, there was $104.90 reported—a gain of $7.40. We trust that every year will show a steady increase in contributions to this worthy object, with a growing interest in the work generally.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. NEWTON,
D. H. MARSHBURN,
IRA B. BATTS,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by Dr. W. C. Tyree. At this juncture, the report of the Auditing Committee appointed at the last session of this body to audit the accounts of J. L. Stewart, Treasurer of the Union Relief Society, was read by C. M. Rock. Also the report of J. L. Stewart, Treasurer of the Union Relief Society was read by C. M. Rock. The report on Minister's Relief was adopted. Upon motion by J. B. Newton, the report of the committee to audit the accounts of J. L. Stewart, Treasurer of the Union Relief Society was adopted. For report of committee to audit the accounts of J. L. Stewart, Treasurer of the Union Relief society, also the report of J. L. Stewart, Treasurer of the Union Relief Society, see appendix.

The report of the Committee on Investigation of Petitionary letters was read. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONARY LETTERS.

Your Committee, to whom were referred the applications of the Calypso Church and the Beulaville Church for membership in this body, beg leave to report: That they have made investigation of the facts, and find, that while their church Covenants and Articles of Faith have not been presented, as duly adopted by the respective bodies in conference assembled, which we regret, still we are fully satisfied that such Covenants and Articles of Faith were so adopted by each of said Churches, in full conformity with our faith and practice, and hence recommend their reception to membership in our body.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. STEWART,
For Committee.

Upon motion the report was adopted, and the Churches, Beulaville and Calypso, were received into membership of this body. On behalf of the Association, the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the delegates of these Churches.

Resolved, by C. M. Rock, That we regret the fact that Brethren Stewart and Sandling were called away on account of death, and that we sympathize with Brother Sandling in his bereavement. Resolution adopted.

The report of the Treasurer was read. The report follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

I, Maury Ward, Treasurer of the Eastern Association, make the following report for the year now closing:

Receipts.

Received at Clinton from Finance Committee:

Associational Missions	$209.08
State Missions	42.10

Home Missions	42.90
Foreign Missions	61.45
Sunday School Missions	4.05
Orphanage	90.05
Ministerial Education	32.32
Ministers' Relief	47.54
Students' Aid Fund	5.00
Gospel Missions	5.35
Minute Fund	47.67
Other Objects	1.00
Total	$588.51

Disbursements.

Paid to W. H. Middleton, Associational Missions	$209.08
Paid to Walters Durham, State Missions	42.10
Paid to Walters Durham, Home Missions	42.90
Paid to Walters Durham, Foreign Missions	61.45
Paid to Walters Durham, Sunday School Missions	4.05
Paid to Walters Durham, Ministerial Education	32.32
Paid to Walters Durham, Minister's Relief	47.54
Paid to Walters Durham, Students' Aid Fund	5.00
Paid to S. H. Averitt, Orphanage	90.05
Paid to A. F. Robinson, Minute Fund	47.67
Paid to W. H. Middleton, Gospel Missions	5.35
Paid to W. H. Middleton, Other Objects	1.00
Total	$588.51

Warsaw, N. C., October 7th, 1908.

MAURY WARD, Treasurer.

Upon motion by B. Matthis, the report was referred to an Auditing Committee, to be appointed by the Moderator. The following Committee was appointed: D. S. Ray, B. Matthis, J. D. Herring.

Moved by W. B. Rivenbark, that the Chairmen of the various committees referred to in the rules of order, be appointed at this session of the Association, so that they may have an opportunity of collecting information relative to the various Mission objects contributed to by the churches, thus enabling the committees to make more satisfactory reports to this body in October, 1909. Motion prevailed.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by D. S. Kennedy. The report is as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Missionary Baptists are fully committed to Sunday Schools. From the organization of our State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, we have had some form of Sunday School organization. We pledge ourselves to co-operate with these orgaizations. To this end we will use the literature of our Sunday School Board in Nashville. We also commit ourselves to the work of our own Convention and ask for pledges to be taken for this work as for other phases of missions. We advise the Sunday Schools to raise their pledges made by the delegates here. We recommend that this Association shall use the Union Meeting in May, 1909, as a Sunday School Convention, and that the Pastors and Superintendents shall hold as many Sunday School rallies as possible during next year.

The work in the Sunday School is fraught with great possibilities. We pledge ourselves, during next year, to try to improve the organization of our Sunday Schools; to make our officers and teachers more efficient; to

reach the church members and children not in the Sunday Schools; and add spiritual power to the meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. KENNEDY,
E. C. HERRING,
M. J. CARLTON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by E. L. Middleton. The report was adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee was read by Maury Ward. The report follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, Your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report the following amounts as having been sent to this Association with the Church letters; received into the hands of the Finance Committee; and paid over to your Treasurer and his receipts taken therefor:

Associational Missions	$361.91
State Missions	49.15
Home Missions	59.36
Foreign Missions	92.23
Gospel Missions	3.00
Sunday School Missions	7.00
Students' Aid Fund	7.00
Orphanage	88.96
Colportage	2.00
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention	6.00
Ministerial Education	33.00
Ministers' Relief	36.72
Minute Fund	41.61
Total	$787.94

Warsaw, N. C., October 7th, 1908.

W. H. HAGWOOD,
W. J. FRYAR,
MAURY WARD,
Committee.

Received of W. H. Hagwood, W. J. Fryar and Maury Ward, Finance Committee, Seven hundred eighty-seven and 94-100, belonging to the Association, and having been contributed for the following objects:

Associational Missions	$361.91
State Missions	49.15
Home Missions	59.36
Foreign Missions	92.23
Gospel Missions	3.00
Sunday School Missions	7.00
Students' Aid Fund	7.00
Colportage	2.00
Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention	6.00
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Total	$787.94

Warsaw, N. C., October 7th, 1908.

W. H. MIDDLETON,
Treasurer Eastern Association.

Upon motion by J. M. Alderman, the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee to Audit the Report of the Treasurer, was read by D. S. Ray. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO AUDIT REPORT OF TREASURER.

We, the Auditing Committee, beg leave to report that we have examined the report of the Treasurer and the vouchers. We find them correct except the item of Foreign Missions. We find the report of the payment to be sixty-one dollars and forty-five cents and the acknowledgment to be six dollars and eighty-five cents.

October 7th, 1908.

D. S. RAY,
G. D. HERRING,
B. MATTHIS,
Committee.

After making the correction of error referred to in the report, by motion of J. M. Page, same was adopted.

Moved by J. M. Page, that C. M. Beach be appointed Sunday School Secretary of this Association, and that he be instructed to co-operate, as far as possible, with E. L. Middleton, State Secretary, with a view of enlarging the Sunday School work within the bounds of this Association. The motion prevailed.

Moved by W. B. Rivenbark, that the Order of Business be amended so as to provide for the roll call of the churches after each report of the committees on Missions, Ministers' Relief, Ministerial Education, the Orphanage, and such other objects that are contributed to by the churches in the Association, for the purpose of taking the church pledges. Motion adopted.

Moved by O. P. Middleton, that the report on Temperance be made the special order for 10:30 o'clock, Thursday morning. Motion adopted.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, the Association adjourned, to meet again at 9:30 o'clock, Thursday morning. Benediction by Dr. W. C. Tyree.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. J. Page.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The roll of churches and delegates was called. The minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

The report of the Committee to Nominate Executive Committee, was read by W. H. Hagwood. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, the Committee to Nominate the Executive Committee, beg leave to submit the following names: C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, L. Middleton, J. A. Powell, W. H. Murray.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
W. T. ROBINSON,
L. K. NICHOLSON,
Committee.

Upon motion by W. B. Rivenbark, the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Woman's Work was read by W. B. Rivenbark. The report follows:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

To over estimate the value of the work accomplished by our women is almost impossible. For years our women, always alert to the call of Christ, have been faithfully banded together disseminating among themselves and others, missionary knowledge, and giving largely of their means to mis-

sionary work. In this way they have materially enlarged the gifts of the churches, both to Home and Foreign Missions.

The organization of the Woman's Missionary Societies, discovered to us, woman's chief sphere of work in the Church of Christ. It is unifying, quickening and developing our women, that compose two-thirds of our church membership, which was before so largely unutilized in our efforts to save a lost world. The movement has brought to us a strong organization, in Woman's Missionary Societies, Young Ladies' Missionary Societies, Sunbeam Societies and Boys' Mission Bands, which now has become too large to meet with the State Baptist Convention.

In this work, the devotion to the study of missions and to systematic giving, have borne such fruits in the cultivation of the spirit of missions and in the large sums of money raised, that from year to year, our most sanguine expectations have been surpassed by our consecrated women. The progress and recent events connected with this work show us that we do not yet comprehend its fullest possibilities. The establishing of a Baptist Woman's Missionary Training School in Louisville, Ky., is another mark of progress and widening of woman's work. We recommend most heartily this training school, with the advantages of our great Seminary at Louisville, to all young women who desire the best equipment for service in the Master's work, both at home and abroad. And we commend, in the most earnest way, to our pastors, to our churches and to the denomination, the consecration, zeal, and liberality of our women, in all their work.

Paul said, "Help those women who labored with me in the Gospel." Therefore, your Committee heartily recommends:

1st. The organization, wherever practicable, of Woman's Missionary Societies within the bounds of this Association.

2nd. That the pastors and churches give to this movement their heartiest co-operation.

The following Societies have reported:

SOCIETIES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Margaret Home.	Training School.	Bible Fund.	Expense Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.
Clinton W. M. S..	$10.35	$47.80	$.....	$11.40	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 60	$.....	$ 70.15
Clinton Y. L. A..	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Clinton Sunbeams	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Warsaw W. M. S.	10.50	4.00	9.10	.....	.....	3.00	.....	1.00	.....	27.60
Warsaw Y. L. A..	2.50	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	205.75	.....
Magnolia W. M. S	9.20	13.40	18.51	26.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	7.00	84.11
Warsaw Sunbeams	11.50	22.25	18.05	.....	1.00	.....	3.00	.....	.....	55.80
Mt. Olive W. M. S.	18.00	8.00	18.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44.75
Total	62.55	95.45	67.66	37.40	1.00	13.00	3.00	2.60	212.75	495.41

Warsaw Sunbeams, Johnson's Willing Workers, Mount Olive Sunbeams, Kenansville W. M. S., Faison W. M. S., and Rose Hill W. M. S., have made no report at all during the year.

No new societies have been organized this year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. RIVENBARK,
B. MATTHIS,
H. S. BOYETTE,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. B. Newton and W. B. Rivenbark. The report was adopted.

The Memorial of the late Jno. T. Albritton, prepared by J. L. Stewart, was read by C. M. Rock. By motion of O. P. Middleton it was ordered incorporated in the minutes of the Association.

For Memorial see Appendix.

The report on Temperance was read by O. P. Middleton. The report follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

If the cause of temperance did not have a real and vital relationship to Christianity, it would not be appropriate to discuss it in our Association. But such a relation it does have. A Christian's duty to this cause is plainly implied and taught in God's Word. In this report we consider the subject from what we believe to be the Christian's standpoint.

We acknowledge and realize our responsibility for our own conduct and we admit also that God holds us responsible for any influence we can exert upon the conduct of others, and as Christian citizens, we are solemnly responsible for all that we can do by means of legislation and the execution of law, to restrain vice and to promote morality of our citizens.

On account of the law for our fellow men which the Gospel produces in us and on account of the responsibility for others, Christians have been feeling a deeper interest in the temperance cause, and have been becoming more and more active in their efforts to secure the enactment of wise laws for the suppression of the whiskey traffic. Drunkenness is a great sin and the making of drunkards is a great crime. This has been becoming clearer and clearer to Christians year by year, and we rejoice at the progress made and long for the time when the traffic shall be completely under control, and national laws shall be passed protecting prohibition territory in the States. We feel, that as Christian citizens, we ought to use all honorable means to enforce the prohibitory laws of the State.

O. P. MIDDLETON,
THEO. MIDDLETON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by O. P. Middleton, W. B. Rivenbark, J. W. Croom, J. B. Newton and W. H. Hagwood. The report was adopted by a rising vote.

The report on General Education was read by C. M. Beach. The report follows:

REPORT ON GENERAL EDUCATION.

We note with pleasure the continued and increasing interest in the great subject of education. There seems to be a greater determination on the part of the parents, to give their children the opportunity of schools, than ever before.

It appears to your committee however, that from a Baptist standpoint, we are in the midst of a great crisis in the educational history of North Carolina. Heretofore the secondary school work of the State has been done by Private and Denominational High Schools and Academies. Now the State has entered this realm, and within the past two years has established more than one hundred and fifty such schools, with free tuition, located in eighty-six different counties of the State. This means, brethren, that our Denominational High Schools must receive more loyal support by our Baptist people, or they must lose out in this unequal contest.

Our fathers in this Association, have for more than fifty years, been struggling to have a strong, well equipped Baptist school. Their dreams are about to be realized in Delway, where we have nearing completion, a twelve thousand dollar brick building. This is the only Baptist school in the southeastern part of the State. Since its foundation six years ago, God has graciously blessed our efforts, and its growth has surpassed our fondest

hopes. Despite the floods and panic, we have by far the largest school in the history of the institution. We greatly appreciate the donation from this Association for the help of the institution. We also appreciate the encouragement and help of our pastors and brethren, and confidently expect a continuation of the same for the future.

For College training we urge our brethren to patronize our own Colleges, Wake Forest and the Baptist University for Women at Raleigh.

Christian education is essential to Christian progress. The power and influence of our denomination in the future depends largely on our loyalty to our institutions of learning in the present.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. BEACH,
H. L. STEWART,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by C. M. Beach. The report was adopted.

The report of the Committee to Nominate Delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions was read by C. F. Carroll. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE DELEGATES TO THE STATE AND SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONS.

We, the undersigned committee, having been appointed to nominate delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions, respectfully recommend the election of Rev. J. M. Alderman, Delegate; Rev. C. M. Rock, Alternate, to the Southern Baptist Convention; Rev. J. M. Booth and C. E. Daniel, Delegates; Rev. J. M. Page and C. M. Beach, Alternates, to the State Baptist Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. CARROLL,
C. J. BRADSHAW,
Committee.

Upon motion the report was adopted.

Moved by C. M. Rock, that the money on hand, known as "Fund to send Delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention," be paid to J. M. Alderman, and that a collection be taken to raise an additional $8.00. Motion adopted. Collection was taken, amounting to about $8.50.

The report of the Committee to Nominate Preachers for the Next Session, was read by R. A. Parker. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE PREACHERS FOR NEXT SESSION.

We, your Committee to Nominate Preachers for the next Session, recommend to preach the Introductory Sermon, J. M. Alderman; Alternate, W. B. Rivenbark.

R. A. PARKER,
J. BLANCHARD,
W. J. MOORE,
Committee.

Upon motion by O. P. Middleton, the report was adopted.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, the Association took a recess until two o'clock, p. m. Benediction by W. B. Rivenbark.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The report on Home Missions was read by J. H. Booth. The report is as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions beg leave to report: That the stupendous importance of the Home Mission work is becoming each year more and more apparent, while great problems of far reaching import are pressing to the front for solution. Look, if you please, at the vast territory with its mixed and varied populations sought to be evangelized. It claims 25,000,000 of people, of whom nine millions are negroes, and five millions are foreigners. It embraces large portions of our beloved Southland—notably, the mountain regions of North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky, with their 149 counties, with a population of two millions, 98 per cent. of which are white, and 65 per cent. nominally Baptists; Cuba, with her one million and a half souls priest-ridden, illiterate, and prejudiced by a religion worse than none; Panama and the Isle of Pines.

We are devoutly grateful to God that our brethren who have these interests in charge, are heroically and faithfully grappling with the difficulties incident to the work. They greatly need and merit our prayers and material support. We regret that our people of this Association do not at all comprehend the magnitude of the work. But still their contributions to this object are increasing year by year, so as to inspire us with hope, that the day is not distant when their efforts will be, in some sense, commensurate with the demand on them from this cause. Before the division of our body, by the formation of the Wilmington Association, our contributions to this object scarcely amounted to $200.00 per annum. Now our contributions, after the departure of our sister are about $300.00 per annum. In 1906, the contributions reported by the Home Board for this object were $13,621.09. In 1907, $17,429.85.

May God in His infinite mercy inspire us to efforts of large liberality and self denial.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. STEWART,
C. L. HERRING,
J. M. SAVAGE,
Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

The report of the Committee on Digest of Church Letters was read by J. M. Alderman. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

We find from the church letters the following facts:

1. A. Amount paid for running expenses, $6,635.59, a gain of $852.74.
   B. Number of churches not reporting running expenses, 8.
   C. The highest average running expense, Mount Olive, $5.05.
   D. The Association's average running expense, $1.72, a gain of 11 cts.
2. A. The amount paid for missions, $2,968.28, a gain of $154.28.
   B. The highest average for missions, Delway, $5.56.
   C. The highest average for running expense and missions combined, Delway, $8.76.
   D. The highest average for all objects, including permanent improvements, Delway, $16.97.
   E. The mission average for the Association is 77 cents, a loss of .01.
3. Baptisms reported, 268. A loss of 59.
4. Membership reported, 3,847. A gain of 249.
5. Sunday School students reported, 2,740—71 per cent. of membership.
6. Number of churches reporting no Sunday School, 3 against 6 last year.
7. Two new churches admitted.

REQUESTS.

Bethel, Corinth and Dobson's Chapel ask that the Association meet with them next year.

Ivanhoe asks for a letter of dismission to join the Wilmington Association.

Mount Zion asks for a letter of dismission to join the Bladen Association.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Number of Members.	Contributions.		Average Per Member.		Permanent Improvements.	Sunday Schools.		
			Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.		No. Students Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from Schools.
Alpine	6	21	$ 25.00	$ 7.15	$ 1.19	$ 34	$	40	25	3
Alum Springs	6	23	24.00	22.58	1.04	98	100.00	....	....	....
Bethel	....	105	.....	83.75	.....	81	.....	....	....	....
Beulah	....	102	50.43	11.26	49	11	.....	63	....	....
Beulaville	....	34	5.00	19.00	15	56	.....	37	20	....
Beulah Chapel	....	28	60.00	6.40	2.14	25	.....	66	47	....
Boykin's Chapel	....	52	60.00	9.10	1.15	17	.....	....	....	....
Bear Marsh	17	165	176.68	81.24	1.07	49	.....	36	31	....
Calypso	29	45	.....	28.04	.....	62	.....	50	....	....
Clinton	....	245	509.56	219.65	2.08	90	1801.50	153	86	....
Centre	....	39	36.00	16.00	92	41	.....	44	20	....
Concord	12	51	126.66	26.52	2.48	52	.....	30	25	12
Corinth	50	193	365.00	118.10	1.89	61	.....	137	110	48
Cedar Fork	....	30	5.60	5.00	19	17	6.05	35	14	....
Delway	6	57	193.38	305.42	3.40	5.36	468.16	131	65	6
Dobson's Chapel	1	80	6.75	50.02	8	63	.....	61	....	....
Ebenezer	4	58	126.49	30.69	2.18	53	.....	46	30	....
Faison	1	65	265.25	35.50	4.87	55	.....	149	100	1
Hallsville	9	124	59.63	25.03	48	20	.....	37	25	....
Island Creek	8	233	215.00	92.50	92	40	.....	76	35	7
Ivanhoe	1	47	1.25	18.50	2	39	.....	44	30	....
Johnsons	13	170	315.77	267.89	1.86	1.58	.....	194	134	8
Kenansville	8	74	265.00	57.47	3.58	78	.....	48	30	8
Lisbon	4	76	154.40	86.77	2.03	1.13	.....	45	20	....
Mount Olive	4	187	944.53	414.60	5.05	2.22	.....	166	100	....
Mount Zion	4	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Maple Hill	....	72	154.00	18.40	2.14	26	.....	28	20	....
Mount Gilead	1	147	156.00	40.00	1.06	27	.....	51	35	....
Magnolia	25	246	326.84	261.36	1.33	1.06	.....	133	78	14
New Hope	....	160	210.00	91.40	1.31	57	.....	84	65	....
Piney Grove	....	133	110.00	44.50	83	34	.....	114	65	....
Poplar Grove	....	89	100.00	10.50	1.12	12	.....	87	48	....
Rose Hill	20	80	220.22	47.00	2.75	59	.....	110	50	....
Rowan	10	154	262.53	56.75	1.70	37	.....	105	51	6
Sharon	....	50	55.17	15.00	1.10	30	22.00	66	40	....
Siloam	14	116	188.30	86.84	1.62	75	.....	87	50	10
Spring Vale	15	80	78.00	28.00	98	35	77.00	54	30	15
Warsaw	....	216	782.40	230.35	3.63	1.07	1500.00	133	....	....
Total	268	3847	$6635.29	$2968.28	.....	.....	$3974.71	2740	....	138

J. M. ALDERMAN,
C. M. BEACH,
C. F. CARROLL,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman. The report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was read. The report follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The most important task assigned unto man by God is preaching the glorious gospel of peace. There never was a time when this task was more important than at the present age. The blessed ministry of our Lord needs the greatest attention as to the preparation of those who are to proclaim the teachings of the Bible. Therefore, the preacher needs the most efficient training, both head and heart, for the great work that lies before him. Your Committee earnestly commend the Board of Education at Wake Forest College, organized for the purpose of aiding worthy young men called of God, in the preparation for the ministry of the Gospel. About sixty young men are now being aided by this Board, and they need funds.

Respectfully submitted,

E. LEE FOX,
V. N. SEAWELL,
I. D. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by J. B. Newton. The report was adopted.

Upon motion the roll of churches was called and the following pledges taken:

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associational Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Gospel Missions.	Students' Aid Fund.	Sunday School Missions.
Alum Springs	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$...	$.....	$.....
Alpine	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	....	1.00	1.00
Bethel	8.00	8.00	8.00	30.00	8.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	.....
Beulah	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Boykin's Chapel	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	....	.....	.....
Beulah Chapel	1.00	1.00	2.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	....	.....	1.00
Beulaville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Bear Marsh	2.50	2.50	7.50	22.50	10.00	.....	1.00	....	.....	1.00
Clinton	15.00	15.00	20.00	15.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	....	5.00	3.00
Concord	2.50	2.50	5.00	8.00	5.00	.....	2.00	....	.....	1.00
Corinth	10.00	5.00	10.00	25.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	....	.....	3.00
Centre	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Cedar Fork	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	....	.....	.....
Calypso	20.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	20.00	5.00	5.00	....	.....	2.50
Delway	25.00	25.00	30.00	35.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	....	5.00	10.00
Dobson's Chapel	1.00	2.50	5.00	25.00	2.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00
Ebenezer	3.00	.....	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Faison	5.00	5.00	5.00	7.50	5.00	1.00	1.00	....	.....	1.00
Hallsville	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	5.00	.....	2.00	....	.....	.....
Island Creek	10.00	10.00	15.00	40.00	15.00	2.00	5.00	....	.....	1.00
Johnson's	10.00	10.00	12.50	60.00	25.00	3.00	5.00	....	1.00	3.00
Kenansville	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	.....	.....	....	.....	2.50
Lisbon	10.00	5.00	10.00	15.00	10.00	5.00	2.00	....	2.00	2.00
Mount Olive	30.00	30.00	50.00	75.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	....	10.00	5.00
Maple Hill	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	1.00	2.00	....	.....	.....
Mount Gilead	.....	.....	15.00	15.00	5.00	2.50	2.50	....	.....	.....
Magnolia	10.00	5.00	10.00	20.00	15.00	3.00	5.00	....	.....	3.00
New Hope	5.00	3.00	40.00	40.00	30.00	3.00	.....	....	2.00	2.00
Piney Grove	5.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	....	.....	1.00
Poplar Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Rose Hill	4.00	4.00	4.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	3.00	....	.....	1.00
Rowan	7.50	7.50	7.50	20.00	10.00	2.50	2.50	....	2.75	2.50
Sharon	1.00	1.00	4.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	....	.....	1.00
Siloam	4.00	5.00	5.00	40.00	12.00	3.00	3.00	....	.....	3.00
Spring Vale	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	....	.....	2.00
Warsaw	15.00	15.00	60.00	55.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	....	5.00	5.00
Totals	220.50	205.00	377.50	631.00	343.50	94.00	92.00	4.00	34.75	58.50

Resolved, by C. M. Beach, that this Association instruct the Clerk to send to the Clerk of each Church two blank letters, with the urgent request that one of these blanks be promptly and properly filled out and sent to the next session of the Association. The resolution was adopted.

Moved by C. M. Beach, that the report on Ministers' Relief be reconsidered. Motion prevailed.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, it was ordered that the names of the makers of the notes referred to in J. L. Stewart's report of the Union Relief Fund, be stricken out of said report and of the report of the Committee auditing said report, and that the notes be reported in the minutes by numbers only.

The report on Ministers' Relief was again adopted.

Upon motion by O. P. Middleton, letters of dismission were ordered granted to the Ivanhoe Baptist Church to join the Wilmington Association, and the Mount Zion Baptist Church to join the Bladen Association.

Moved by W. B. Rivenbark, that the Treasurer be authorized to make payments of such money on hand as was directed by the church letters to the Association.

Resolved by J. H. Booth, that this Association extend its hearty thanks and appreciation to the Warsaw Baptist Church, the town of Warsaw, and to the people of the surrounding country for the very general and splendid entertainment of this session of the Eastern Association; and to the Presbyterians in Warsaw, for the use of their house of worship. Resolution was enthusiastically adopted.

Moved by C. M. Rock, That the Executive Committee be authorized to employ missionaries as in their judgment seems for the best interest of the work. Motion prevailed.

Upon motion, the roll of churches was called and votes taken to determine the place of meeting for the next session of this Association. Corinth was chosen.

The report of the Trustees of the Warsaw High School Property was read by H. S. Boyette.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF WARSAW HIGH SCHOOL PROPERTY.

The Trustees beg leave to report that pursuant to the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Association, we proceeded to have the vacant lot on the south side of College street in the town of Warsaw surveyed, and a plot made of same, and found that there were three acres in the lot. We also had the lot subdivided into three lots, with an equal amount of frontage for each on College street. We then advertised the same pursuant to the terms of the sale as set forth in the resolution, and offered it for sale in bulk and severally, and three persons bid the same off at a price aggregating $1,000.00, but refused to take the same when the Trustees offered to make bond for title.

We now recommend that the Association authorize the Trustees to sell for cash, at either public or private sale, all the above referred to property to make deed for same, and to turn over the proceeds of the sale to the Trustees of the Dell High School.

We further report that we have turned over to the Treasurer of Dell High School the sum of $122.00, the money and rent on hand from the sale and rental of the other lot.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. BEASLEY, Chairman.
J. A. POWELL, Secretary.

Upon motion by C. M. Rock, the recommendation in the report of the Trustees of Warsaw School property was amended to read as follows: We now recommend that the Association authorize the Trustees to make and

turn over deed for the remainder of the Warsaw School property to the Trustees of the Dell High School, Delway, N. C., and that said Trustees of said Dell High School be authorized to sell said property for cash, at either private or public sale, at the best price obtainable.

Upon motion by C. F. Carroll, the report, as amended, was adopted.

The Committee on Obituaries takes notice of the death of Rev. W. A. Melvin, who was a member of Siloam Church, and who departed this life on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in May, 1908, having reached the age of 84 years. He was truly a Godly man and had lived a life of much service. The Committee will give further report on this death at next session of the Association.

Upon motion of W. B. Rivenbark, the Association adjourned to meet with the Corinth Baptist Church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1909.

The closing exercises were conducted by J. M. Alderman. Song, "God be with you till we meet again," and prayer by J. M. Alderman.

C. E. DANIEL, Moderator.

H. L. STEWART, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.		
	Baptisms.	By Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Deaths.	By Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alum Springs	6	1	....	1	....	....	9	14	23
Alpine	6	....	....	....	....	....	8	13	21
Bethel	....	2	1	....	....	6	43	62	105
Beulah	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	102
Beulah Chapel	....	1	....	....	....	1	10	18	28
Beulaville	....	....	....	....	....	....	18	16	34
Boykin's Chapel	....	....	....	3	1	6	25	27	52
Bear Marsh	17	1	3	7	2	7	71	94	165
Cedar Fork	....	1	....	2	....	....	14	16	30
Calypso	29	....	1	....	....	....	24	21	45
Centre	....	1	....	....	....	....	19	20	39
Clinton	....	9	....	....	1	13	109	136	245
Concord	12	....	1	1	3	2	20	31	51
Corinth	50	4	1	2	1	11	97	96	193
Delway	6	6	....	....	1	8	32	25	57
Dobson's Chapel	1	....	2	7	....	6	39	41	80
Ebenezer	4	2	....	....	....	2	28	30	58
Faison	1	5	....	....	....	1	30	35	65
Hallsville	9	4	....	1	2	38	44	80	124
Island Creek	8	4	1	15	5	5	80	153	233
Ivanhoe	1	4	....	....	2	2	27	20	47
Johnson's	13	....	1	3	2	1	80	90	170
Kenansville	8	4	2	....	....	4	27	47	74
Lisbon	4	2	....	....	1	3	36	40	76
Magnolia	25	3	2	7	2	6	54	177	231
Maple Hill	....	....	....	1	....	1	36	36	72
Mount Gilead	1	8	....	1	2	1	64	83	147
Mount Olive	4	11	2	3	2	18	67	120	187
New Hope	....	4	....	....	1	10	68	92	160
Piney Grove	....	1	....	2	4	3	59	74	133
Poplar Grove	....	....	....	....	1	....	40	49	89
Rose Hill	20	12	1	....	2	....	38	42	80
Rowan	10	2	....	1	2	....	63	91	154
Sharon	....	....	....	....	....	3	17	33	50
Siloam	14	....	1	....	1	1	61	55	116
Spring Vale	....	....	....	....	1	2	30	50	80
Warsaw	....	2	....	1	2	8	81	136	217
Totals	249	94	19	58	41	169	1568	2163	3833

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES, AND THEIR TIME OF HOLDING SERVICES.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	TIME OF MEETING.
Alum Springs	D. S. Kennedy, Kenansville	Joe E. Kelly, Kenansville	Second Sunday.
Alpine	J. B. Newton, Kerr	J. M. Hall, Kerr	Fourth Sunday.
Bethel	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	Maury Ward, Rose Hill	Fourth Sunday.
Beulah	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	W. T. Britt, Turkey	Fourth Sunday.
Beulah Chapel	E. Lee Fox, Clinton	C. L. Herring, Clinton	Fourth Sunday.
Beulaville	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	W. M. Bishop, Beulaville	Second Sunday.
Boykin's Chapel	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	L. M. Boykin, Clinton	Fourth Sunday.
Bear Marsh	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	E. H. Frank, Mt. Olive	First Sunday.
Cedar Fork	J H. Booth, Magnolia	R. H. Sloan, Hallsville	Third Sunday.
Calypso	No Pastor	J. L. Dickson, Calypso	.....
Centre	Henry Carter, Garland	H. L. Herring, Garland	Second Sunday.
Clinton	No Pastor	J. B. Faircloth, Clinton	.....
Concord	J. B. Newton, Kerr	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	First Sunday.
Corinth	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	Third Sunday.
Delway	J. M. Alderman, Delway	G. D. Herring, Delway	First Sunday.
Dobson's Chapel	J. B. Newton, Kerr	Newton Brock, Kenansville	Third Sunday.
Ebenezer	No Pastor	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersburg	Third Sunday.
Faison	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	T. W. Smith, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Hallsville	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. J. Strickland, Hallsville	Second Sunday.
Island Creek	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	L. R. Branns, Rose Hill	First Sunday.
Ivanhoe	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	C. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe	Second Sunday.
Johnson's	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	L. Middleton, Warsaw	First Sunday.
Kenansville	W. A. Campbell, Kenansville	J. A. Gavin, Jr., Kenansville	Second Sunday.
Lisbon	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	First Sunday.
Magnolia	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	C. M. Middleton, Magnolia	First Sunday.
Maple Hill	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	Fourth Sunday.
Mount Gilead	J. M. Alderman, Delway	E. L. Croom, Clinton	Fourth Sunday.
Mount Olive	C. M. Rock, Mount Olive	B. A. Summerlin, Mt. Olive	First and Fourth.
New Hope	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. H. Carlton, Warsaw	Second Sunday.
Piney Grove	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	S. H. Hare, Clinton	Second Sunday.
Poplar Grove	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Rose Hill	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	J. T. Vick, Rose Hill	First Sunday.
Rowan	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	W. T. Robinson, Moltonville	Second Sunday.
Sharon	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	Willie Blanchard, Sloan	Third Sunday.
Siloam	J. M. Alderman, Delway	W. B. Highsmith, Kerr	Third Sunday.
Spring Vale	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	J. M. Marshburn, Clinton	First Sunday.
Warsaw	C. M. Rock, Mount Olive	F. C. Middleton, Warsaw	Second and Third.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Sunday School Missions.	Poor.	Incidentals.	Other Objects.	Pastor's Salary.	Minute Fund.	Building and Repairs.	Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention.	Students' Aid Fund.	Total.	Sunday School Expenses.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.
Alum Springs...	$12.50	$24.00	$.....	$ 2.83	$...	$ 6.25	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 1.00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 46.58	$.....	$ 650.00	250
Alpine.....	1.00	.....	1.00	1.00	....	2.15	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	33.15	.....	.....	....
Bethel.....	8.75	31.00	9.00	9.00	3.00	9.00	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.50	.....	.....	1.00	82.25	.....	.....	....
Beulah.....	2.00	.....	1.50	2.50	....	2.50	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	76	.....	.....	.....	11.26	.....	600.00	300
Beulah Chapel..	.....	.....	1.25	3.75	....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	40	.....	.....	.....	66.40	.....	500.00	300
Beulaville.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	24.00	5.00	.....	....
Boykin's Chapel	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	....	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	1.60	60.00	50	.....	.....	.....	69.10	.....	400.00	300
Bear Marsh.....	9.18	22.50	2.50	34.06	....	19.75	.....	2.50	.....	.....	5.15	47.50	120.00	2.00	.....	1.00	.....	270.14	4.00	500.00	400
Cedar Fork.....	.....	2.00	1.00	1.00	....	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	6.05	.....	.....	16.65	3.60	500.00	300
Calypso.....	2.00	8.00	3.00	5.00	....	6.04	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	28.04	.....	3250.00	....
Centre.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	36.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	52.00	.....	750.00	250
Clinton.....	25.35	15.00	62.80	30.10	....	61.40	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	51.11	.....	100.00	2.00	1801.05	3.00	5.00	2235.26	58.45	6000.00	400
Concord.....	2.50	8.00	2.50	5.00	....	5.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	51.18	75.00	50	.....	.....	.....	153.68	2.00	500.00	200
Corinth.....	10.00	25.00	5.00	10.00	....	34.00	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	140.00	225.00	1.80	.....	2.00	2.00	484.90	20.10	1000.00	400
Delway.....	25.00	37.47	20.00	20.00	....	35.00	10.00	5.15	5.00	.....	.....	138.50	175.00	1.00	468.16	.....	8.30	967.41	18.83	2000.00	500
Dobson's Chapel	3.62	25.00	5.00	7.50	....	6.40	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	56.77	6.00	500.00	300
Ebenezer.....	3.42	2.55	.....	3.75	....	5.90	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	12.42	115.00	65	400.00	.....	.....	557.18	11.49	400.00	300
Faison.....	5.00	7.50	5.00	5.00	....	5.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	17.25	48.00	200.00	2.00	.....	2.00	1.00	299.75	.....	1750.00	300
Hallsville.....	3.00	7.43	2.00	2.00	....	7.00	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	59.68	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85.11	.....	600.00	400
Island Creek....	8.00	40.00	10.00	10.00	....	15.00	2.00	5.00	.....	.....	1.00	15.00	200.00	1.50	.....	.....	.....	307.50	.....	700.00	500
Ivanhoe.....	3.65	5.00	1.35	3.00	....	3.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	19.75	1.25	500.00	200
Johnson's.....	17.22	63.07	17.73	19.28	....	137.04	3.00	5.50	.....	.....	.....	27.61	250.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	583.66	40.21	1000.00	300
Kenansville.....	10.00	11.47	10.00	5.00	....	57.47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	359.94	15.00	1000.00	400
Lisbon.....	10.00	15.00	5.00	10.00	....	30.82	5.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	150.00	1.25	.....	.....	2.00	241.17	10.10	1200.00	300
Magnolia.....	37.67	33.00	40.65	56.36	....	62.68	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.89	.....	89.00	200.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	588.20	46.95	1000.00	300
Maple Hill.....	2.00	4.00	1.00	2.00	....	4.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	150.00	55	.....	.....	.....	165.55	.....	600.00	200
Mount Gilead...	.....	15.00	.....	15.00	....	5.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	150.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	190.00	.....	1000.00	400
Mount Olive....	60.43	75.00	38.00	53.75	....	149.42	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	98.50	59.75	700.00	3.00	.....	5.00	10.00	1359.13	86.28	2500.00	400
New Hope.....	5.00	25.00	5.00	3.00	....	30.43	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	200.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	285.43	10.00	500.00	300
Piney Grove....	2.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	....	5.00	2.50	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	137.00	10.00	450.00	350
Poplar Grove...	2.00	2.00	.....	2.00	....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.00	50	.....	.....	.....	110.50	.....	400.00	300
Rose Hill.....	4.00	15.00	4.00	4.00	....	10.00	5.00	3.00	.....	22.47	.....	31.25	150.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	267.22	16.50	1250.00	500
Rowan.....	7.50	15.00	7.50	7.50	....	10.00	2.50	2.50	.....	.....	71.65	4.75	175.00	1.50	.....	.....	.....	319.28	13.88	600.00	300
Sharon.....	.....	5.00	1.00	5.00	....	3.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	9.17	40.00	.....	22.00	.....	.....	92.17	6.00	600.00	300
Siloam.....	2.00	45.00	4.00	4.00	....	32.34	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	30.00	2.25	150.00	1.25	.....	.....	.....	282.89	6.05	1200.00	500
Spring Vale.....	2.00	10.00	2.00	4.00	....	5.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	52.00	75.00	1.00	25.00	.....	.....	183.00	3.00	500.00	300
Warsaw.....	30.20	50.00	35.00	66.15	....	20.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	.....	75.00	5.00	600.00	.....	1500.00	.....	3.00	2512.75	107.40	1500.00	400
Totals.....	317.99	652.49	326.78	418.53	3.00	797.59	93.00	100.15	18.00	27.36	349.66	797.66	4831.00	40.91	4222.26	13.00	33.30	13544.77	502.09		

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	Baptisms.	Volumes in Library.
Alum Springs	No School reported	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Alpine	J. M. Hall, Kerr, N. C	1	5	35	25	12	$.....	$ 60	$.....	50	3	....
Bethel	No School reported	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Beulah	J. F. Faison, Turkey, N. C	1	.....	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Beulah Chapel	C. L. Herring, Clinton	1	9	57	47	12	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	....
Beulaville	H. F. Kennedy, Beulaville	1	5	32	20	12	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Boykin's Chapel	No School reported	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Bear Marsh	C. A. Byrd, Mount Olive	1	7	36	31	12	4.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	....
Cedar Fork	B. W. Pickett, Hallsville	1	4	31	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	.....	....
Calypso	R. A. Parker, Calypso	1	6	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	....
Centre	C. I. Robinson, Garland	1	4	40	20	12	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	....
Clinton	W. B. Stewart, Clinton	1	13	149	86	12	58.45	25.00	.....	200	.....	....
Concord	J. C. Boone, Rose Hill	1	5	25	25	12	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Corinth	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	1	9	137	110	12	.....	19.00	.....	140	48	....
Delway	W. J. Fryar, Delway	1	18	113	65	12	18.83	.....	5.00	140	6	....
Dobson's Chapel	C. J. Bradshaw, Magnolia	1	6	55	.....	12	6.00	1.40	.....	40	.....	....
Ebenezer	.....	1	6	40	30	12	11.49	16.45	2.00	54	.....	....
Faison	J. H. Faison, Faison	2	14	135	100	12	.....	.....	.....	150	1	....
Hallsville	S. S. Bostic, Hallsville	1	4	33	25	12	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	....
Island Creek	L. R. Branns, Rose Hill	1	6	70	35	8	.....	.....	.....	75	7	....
Ivanhoe	J. R. Rooks, Ivanhoe	1	5	39	30	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Johnson's	W. H. Middleton, Warsaw	2	15	179	134	12	40.21	56.68	.....	225	8	....
Kenansville	Thad Jones, Kenansville	1	7	48	30	12	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Lisbon	D. L. Herring, Garland	1	5	40	20	12	10.10	20.82	.....	43	.....	87
Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1	13	120	78	12	51.84	21.68	5.00	190	14	....
Maple Hill	D. H. Marshburn, Maple Hill	1	6	22	20	12	6.85	.....	.....	40	.....	....
Mount Gilead	Evander Simpson, Clinton	1	6	45	35	12	.....	.....	.....	45	.....	....
Mount Olive	O. E. Franklin, Mount Olive	1	11	155	100	12	86.28	123.42	.....	200	.....	....
New Hope	C. E. Daniel, Turkey	1	4	80	65	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Piney Grove	J. C. Hobbs, Keener	2	13	101	65	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Poplar Grove	H. B. Hatcher, Faison	1	7	80	48	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Rose Hill	.....	1	7	110	50	12	.....	.....	.....	400	.....	....
Rowan	J. T. Kennedy, Moltonville	1	11	94	51	12	13.88	.....	.....	126	6	....
Sharon	R. C. Seawell, Chinquepin	1	6	60	40	9	6.00	.....	.....	70	.....	....
Siloam	J. F. Lewis, Kerr	1	8	79	50	12	6.05	27.34	.....	95	.....	....
Spring Vale	A. F. Robinson, Clinton	1	4	50	30	9	.....	.....	.....	50	15	20
Warsaw	S. M. Carlton, Warsaw	1	8	125	.....	12	107.40	.....	.....	213	.....	....
Totals		97	6[illegible]	25[illegible]	1470	.....	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

REV. JOHN THOMAS ALBRITTON.

To his parents, Matthew and Mary Albritton, were given six children. Three died in infancy. Mrs. Oliver Summerlin, of Mount Olive, who was six years younger than her brothers, alone survives. John Thomas and Jesse Tignor, twin brothers, were born January 26th, 1836, at Snow Hill, Greene County, North Carolina. The family moved to Greenville, Pitt County, in 1838. Thomas was placed in school under Miss Sallie Ann Jones of "blessed memory," at the age of five years. The family returned to Greene county in 1843, where he was steadily kept in the best schools accessible until the family removed to Waynesboro, the then county seat of Wayne County, in December, 1848. Soon thereafter Thomas entered the celebrated school of Prof. Wm. B. Robinson at Goldsboro, a village then in its infancy, and one mile from Waynesboro. The family moved to Goldsboro the next year. The reputation of Prof. Robinson was at that time widespread as a teacher of rare ability. In this school Thomas was a diligent student and, in the course of two years, laid a good foundation in Greek, Latin, Mathematics, and Natural Philosophy. At about fifteen years of age he entered the office of "The New Era," a weekly newspaper published in Goldsboro, owned and edited by his teacher, Prof. Robinson. This place proved a most excellent school for him. He loved the work, and to him it was the opening of a new world. These few years were among the most profitable of his days of preparation and training. To them through subsequent life, he was accustomed to revert with great pleasure. We are sure that the accuracy, readiness, and extensive range of knowledge, which characterized his literary pursuits, had their origin here. So thoroughly imbued was he with a thirst for knowledge, that he sought it by day and by night, sometimes with the assistance of learned tutors, sometimes without, with such zeal and devotion that, some who knew him most intimately and loved him most dearly, had serious misgivings, that though a model lad as others saw him, he might be quite inadvertent to the higher concerns of the soul—the claims of the Christian religion. In fact, up to the age of twenty he seemed not to have had any serious religious impressions, and hence was the object of much solicitude and many earnest prayers, especially on the part of his parents.

But God had a nobler and a higher work for him to do; and soon the tide of Providential events swept in upon him with such power as to change the current of his life, as we shall see. His twin brother Jessee professed religion at the age of thirteen, and married about eighteen. Into his home came "one of the sweetest little boys." Among the dearest objects of Thomas' affection was his twin brother. His Christian life was so pure and consecrated as to greatly impress his brother Thomas. In unity and brotherly love did they walk together fifty years until God took Jesse. Jesse's little boy had won his way into his Uncle Thomas' heart who well nigh idolized him when God took him away about one year old. This death sent an arrow to the soul of the uncle and he poured out his grief in verses that would have done credit, as was said, to an older head. His first poem is entitled "To Willie." About this time he became associated with the late Rev. Needham B. Cobb as principal and tutor in the Goldsboro Male High School—the beginning of a friendship warmly cherished by both throughout all after life. In the fall of this year (1856) a great revival of religion blessed the town of Goldsboro, known to this day as "The Great Revival at the Old Academy." At this revival our brother was converted. He joined the Goldsboro Baptist Church on October 5th, 1856, and was baptized by the pastor, Rev. David C. Couling, D. D., in the Neuse River at old Waynesboro.

Thus we can easily trace the chain of circumstances leading up and entering into our brother's experience and conversion, and which rendered the

Gospel to him the power of God, and the Wisdom of God. One other factor of great influence in the same direction was the home environment under which our brother grew up. Beside Jesse, whose early piety has been mentioned, it is proper that I should say that few brothers were ever blessed with a sister so intelligent, true, gentle, affectionate, and faithful, as his sister, Fannie, now Mrs. Summerlin, to whom we are indebted for the facts herein stated, and, sometimes the language in which they are stated. Moreover, he was born of parents who had in the days of their youth given themselves to God—to live for Him. They were united in heart and hand, in purpose and plan. They endeavored to train up their children in the way they should go. They were poor in this world's goods, but rich in grace, and toiled and sacrificed to give them the best educational advantages within their reach. Matthew and Mary Albritton taught their children the Word of God, and exemplified it in their lives. Morning and night they were gathered around the family altar—place of blessed memory to the children ever after. They sang the sweet songs of Zion. The influence of those dear old songs permeated every heart in the happy home, and brought forth fruit in every life. That the proud spirit of John T. Albritton should have remained so long unsubdued, to us seems amazing under the circumstances. But that same proud spirit under the power of the Holy Spirit working through those circumstances and the Word of God preached by such men as Couling, Cobb, and others, did relent. Did the amazing experience of Paul in his conversion give color to his after statement of the doctrines of grace? Then we have in our brother's experience the solution of the stronghold which the same doctrines had upon him. In all such cases it would seem the Word of God is interpreted in the light of personal experience. Nor is it surprising that such a conversion should have led him to an early consideration of the claims of the Christian Ministry, and his church recognizing such claims by bestowing upon him a license to preach the Gospel, January 12th, 1857. In the same month he entered Wake Forest College, and there prosecuted his studies with great energy and formed many pleasant associations, some, which matured into friendship lasting through life. He spent only one term however at college for the want of funds, and his independent spirit, which characterized him through life, would not allow others to defray his expenses through school. He returned home pursuing his studies meanwhile, and in the autumn of that year opened the Hookerton Male Academy in his native county. Here he spent two and a half years—an important period of his life. The people were well-to-do, intelligent, hospitable, sociable and religious. They were staunch supporters of his school, and his work among them as teacher an eminent success. His social intercourse with them was pleasant and gratifying. He united with them in their religious meetings and Christian work. While here he became a Master Mason. But as a Missionary Baptist he was alone—severely alone, says one who knew him intimately. God only knows the trials, the disappointments that came into his life; the hard battles he had to fight; the seasons of gloom and despondency that would at times come over him. But the memory of a sweet song which he had learned from his mother's lips, "The Lord Will Provide," would come to his rescue and bring comfort and peace. Those were busy days and nights. He preached when ever and where ever opportunity offered. He was also busy with his pen, giving to his brethren thus early in life his views on the religious topics of the day of most absorbing interest.

His church twice called for his ordination to the full work of the Ministry, but a sense of unworthiness led him to decline. He studied God's Word carefully and prayerfully. He examined the foundation of his own faith and hope, in the light of Divine truth. He made a special study of the doctrines and practices of his own denomination. With Divine help he came triumphant through all his trials and conflicts stronger in the faith

once delivered to the saints, and was ever after, its bold, unflinching defender.

On Thursday night, February 18th, 1859, in the Baptist Church at Goldsboro he was ordained to the full work of the Gospel Ministry. Rev. Thomas E. Skinner, D. D., preached the sermon, Rev. George William Keesee, pastor of the church, offered the prayer, Rev. George Bradford delivered the charge and Rev. Mr. Walthall presented the Bible.

In March or April after, he closed his school at Hookerton to the regret of pupils and patrons, and on April 25th left Goldsboro for Andalusia, Ala., to visit an uncle—William R. Jones, his mother's brother—enjoying a few months' freedom, hunting, fishing, roaming the forests, traveling on horseback, holding forth the Word of Life however, as he passed through southern Alabama and west Florida. His brethren have enjoyed the story of his experiences and reminiscences of these missionary labors. The summer of 1860 he labored as missionary and colporteur for the Sumter Union, S. C. He returned to his native State, and the next year (1861) became pastor of Mount Pleasant Church in Washington County, and of Albemarle and two other churches in Tyrrell County. This was his first pastorate, and greatly enjoyed, until the fall of Roanoke Island, in 1862. On the 16th day of January, 1861, he was married to Miss Dorcas Norman, daughter of Mr. Asburg Norman, of Washington County, the Rev. Samuel Alexander officiating. For forty-five years they lived in happy wedlock. On the fall of Roanoke Island he returned to Goldsboro, and devoted some time to army colporteurage and preaching to the soldiers. In 1863 he was pastor of Smithfield Baptist Church and Falling Creek Church in Wayne. In 1864 he was pastor of Halifax Baptist Church, in the organization of which he had taken a prominent part. About this time he purchased and moved to a little farm about one mile from Mount Olive, placing his membership with the Bear Marsh Church, and became at one time its pastor.

After the war he devoted his time to preaching, teaching, and his little farm. He was pastor of Salem Church in Johnston County, preaching there twice a month, which pastorate, it is said, he much enjoyed; of Mount Calvary, in the Atlantic Association; of Piney Grove (Sampson), Island Creek, Rose Hill, Poplar Grove, and perhaps others in the Eastern Association. He taught school almost continuously—many years in Mount Olive, until his health failed and he was obliged to give it up. But he had the satisfaction of knowing in after years, that he had trained many young men and women for usefulness in life.

In 1882 he sold the little farm, and purchased and moved to a larger one near Calypso, Duplin County, where he spent the remnant of his days. After his sons had grown up, he delivered into their hands his farming interests, and so at last was free from secular pursuits.

His life was full of work, but he was so orderly that it was said he was never rushed or confused. He read, he wrote, he preached—held himself ready to do the Master's work as it came to him. Of him as a writer it is not necessary here to speak, for of his ability as such the files of our religious papers are sufficient evidence. From these every reading Baptist in the State, and many beyond, learned of his literary attainments. As a preacher, he was not highly eloquent in the popular sense; but his sermons were thought out with great care. He brought his scholarship into requisition in the study of the Word of God, and, under the illumination of the Holy Spirit he had a clear view of the plan of salvation. He was therefore an able expositor of the Sacred Scriptures. He was moreover a theologian and a Baptist of the purest type, and marked with pain any departure on the part of his brethren from the faith of the fathers. The note that he sounded, with no uncertain sound, is needed to be heard in many parts of our Baptist Zion, to save many of our churches from doctrinal looseness under the plea of liberalism. He made no compromise with error. He was straightforward and direct in manner

hence he delivered his sermons and speeches with great earnestness and force. The hearer always felt that he spoke because he realized he had a message to deliver. In fact he himself believed that he was called of God to preach the Everlasting Gospel. That was his great life work, to which he made all things else subservient. He labored to support his family and to enable him to preach. He was a poor man in this world's goods, but lived within his means, maintained his credit, and, under the blessing of God, was always able to contribute to every good cause, to care for and educate a large family. Into his home came twelve children, four of them however were taken in infancy. In 1891 a daughter, Mary Tignor, in the bloom of young womanhood, an intelligent, active member of Mount Olive Baptist Church, was called up higher. Again in 1903 the Death Angel came, and Andrew Franklin, the eldest living son, one of the noblest that ever blest a fond parent's life as was said, in the prime of manhood, a staunch member of the same church, closed his eyes to earthly scenes, to become the inhabitant of a city whose builder and maker is God. His faithful companion, who through all the years of their married life had shared his toils and cares, his joys and sorrows, was forced, gradually to yield to bodily infirmities, and became more and more the object of his loving care and attention. He esteemed himself very happy in having his married children settled around him, so that he could visit them all in his daily rounds. His thirteen grand-children with their fathers and mothers were a constant source of heartfelt joy to him. On the morning of Sunday, July 1st, 1906, his beloved wife, Mrs. Dorcas Norman Albritton, gently, quietly fell asleep in Jesus—she had entered into rest. Carefully, tenderly, tearfully, by loving hands all that of her was mortal was laid in the casket, and on Monday, July 2, buried in the cemetery at Mount Olive. Rev. R. G. Kendrick, pastor of the Mount Olive Baptist Church, conducted the solemn burial service. Sad and desolate was the home after the wife and mother had departed. It was then evident that he was losing his hold on life. His noble and devoted children rallied around him, and made every effort to cheer and brighten his last days. He realized that he was coming to the close of life on earth, and looked with hope and joy to the Bright Beyond. His house was in order; still he made good use of the golden days as they came, one by one, from our Father's hand.

On the Saturday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1906, he closed his last pastorate at Rose Hill. The text was, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and Thou Shalt Be Saved," his last public message.

In October he attended the Neuse Association at Goldsboro, his old home, with the church of his first love and which under God had called and sent him forth to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ. The relations between him and this church had ever been of the most pleasant kind, and his visits there were bright spots in his life even down to its close. The heartfelt pleasure he experienced at this last visit, as he mingled with friends and brethren new and old in the church and in the hospitable home of the pastor, Bro. Fry, furnished him with sweet recollections to brighten and cheer the days that followed. Indeed he was always at home in a Baptist Association. And in this connection the writer desires to bear testimony that he was accustomed to associate with Bro. Albritton in the general assemblies of the brethren, over which both were often called to preside, for over thirty years. In such bodies there was no more useful member than he—always ready, strong and pointed in debate, a wise counsellor; considerate of the rights and feelings of others, but a bold and unsparing critic of egregious faults and follies; an authority on Baptist Church history, practice and polity; accurate and ready; unselfish and retiring in disposition, esteemed others better than himself in office and worldly honor. We shall not soon see his like again.

The week following the Association at Goldsboro he was indisposed, but on Saturday, though quite feeble, he attended services at Bear Marsh,

where he held his membership, and took an important part, to the gratification of his brethren, in the business of the conference.

His last visit to Mount Olive was the last of October; but so unwell was he then, that he had to return home in the afternoon of the same day. His last work was gathering his thirteen grand-children and receiving their offerings for the Thomasville Orphanage, which he had promised them to duplicate. His last writing was a note to "Charity and Children" sending off this offering. His last reading was the note in acknowledgment of the same, and is as follows:

"The first Thanksgiving contribution has arrived. Rev. John T. Albritton, who has been sick and confined to his room, laid the Orphanage before his thirteen grand-children and told them he would give an equal amount with them. Here is the result: Tommie, Carl, Frank, Mary, Julia and Fannie Byrd, $1.00. Bennie, Mary, Johnnie, Elizabeth, Richard, James and Ethel Albritton, $2.08. John T. Albritton, $3.10. Total, $6.18. Bro. Albritton says: 'I am sure you will never get half the joy out of receiving, that my little kids got out of giving this little offering.' We have not published a prettier news note than this for many a day."

He had suffered for some years from heart ailment in some form, and had been advised by his physician not to baptize or exercise violently in any way. This, with the infirmities of advanced age, developed into jaundice. Kind neighbors came to express their sympathy and to tender their kind offices. Many of his old pupils came to assure him of their affectionate regard. Rev. Mr. Kendrick, pastor of the Mount Olive Baptist Church, visited him frequently. His ministrations were very welcome and full of comfort.

He retained the use of his mental faculties to the last. One of his favorite sayings was: "My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness"—it was sure and steadfast. It did not desert him in the trying hour. That grace which he loved above all things else to preach to others he found sufficient for himself. He said to his only sister near the end: "The electing grace of God is a great comfort now." In spite of the untiring efforts of skilful physicians to stay the progress of disease, on Tuesday morning at 11:30 o'clock, December 4th, 1906, he quietly, peacefully yielded up his spirit to God. "Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like his," exclaimed his sister, who waited at his bedside, and in his early ministry had heard him preach from that text. On the next day funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. G. Kendrick, and his earthly remains laid to rest beside those of his wife in the cemetery at Mount Olive. She had awaited his coming five months and three days. She had professed a hope of salvation under his preaching, and had been baptized by him forty-five years before, in Albemarle Sound.

Bro. Albritton had been for some years the historian of our Association, and had made some valuable communications to our body. The last in 1905, in closing which he said: "Should God spare my life, I hope to have something to say about other churches belonging to this body, at our next meeting." But glory to God! our next meeting will be with the General Assembly and Church of the First Born, whose names are written in Heaven.

J. L. STEWART.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO AUDIT THE ACCOUNTS OF J. L. STEWART, TREASURER OF THE UNION RELIEF SOCIETY.

To the Eastern Association in session at Warsaw, October 6th, 1908:

We, the undersigned Committee, appointed at the last session of the Association to audit the accounts of J. L. Stewart as Treasurer of the Union Relief Fund, for the Old Ministers in this Association, beg leave to report: That we held a meeting at Delway on the 29th day of November, 1907, after full notice to all the members of the Committee. The Clerk of the Association being present as one of the Committee, stated, that owing to some inadvertence on his part, the minutes of the Association did not give the names of the Committee accurately. So, it being agreed by all present that all the undersigned should act on said Committee, it seemed proper to us that the Committee, as then constituted, should proceed to business, the said J. L. Stewart, Treasurer, being present with his accounts and papers.

It will be remembered that this fund is the remnant of a fund, accumulated under the direction of a corporate body, known as the Union Relief Society, for the needy Ministers of the Gospel within the bounds of this Association. The Society having become defunct, by reason of its failure to hold any meetings or to elect any officers, J. L. Stewart was requested to have a settlement with D. K. Kornegay, who had been Treasurer of said Society for many years, take charge of the fund and report to the Association. His report will be found in the minutes of the Association of October, 1875. We have carefully gone over that report and compared it with his present report of the management and disposition of said fund, and we find the present one in all respects correct. He had several notes on hand, the original papers or notes taken in renewal of notes which he was unable to collect, which your Committee deem worthless. Your Committee recommends that these notes be destroyed or surrendered to the personal representatives of the makers. These notes are Nos. 1, 2, 4, 10, 11, and 6, in J. L. Stewart's report. Number 6 was given in renewal of note number 5, and the said number 5 was then ordered surrendered by the Trustees of the Union Relief Society. The interest was paid on said renewal note, which is number 6 in J. L. Stewart's report, until the death of the maker. The present Accountant desires to say that he feels confident that the note would have been paid but for the untimely death of the maker, in which statement your Committee fully concurs. Note number 7 is a renewal of number 8 in J. L. Stewart's report of 1875. In regard to note number 8, in J. L. Stewart's report of October, 1908, for $10.00, we report that the heirs of the makers have agreed to pay $20.00 and take the note. Your Committee advised the Treasurer to accept this offer and his report will show that money paid. In reference to notes Nos. 12 and 13, your Committee finds these facts: The makers of said notes entered into an agreement with the Trustees of the Warsaw High School to take control of said school for the Association, and purchased the property adjoining, known as the Stallings or Carroll property, to be used in connection with said school property as had been originally planned. The Carroll property was not quite complete, and this had to be done to render it at all available. As the said parties were unable to make this purchase and at the same time meet their other demands out of their own resources, they appealed to J. L. Stewart for a loan of what relief funds he had on hand. J. L. Stewart then consulted a number of prominent brethren interested in the Association and the School, who all agreed that it was proper to make the loan. The elder of the said parties had been for a long time one of the most prominent ministers of the Association, and had the reputation of being the best Pastor in the Association. The younger had just graduated from Chapel Hill, and gave every promise as a teacher. Under these circumstances, all thought, with the Accountant, that these parties ought to

be encouraged in the school enterprise. The Accountant desires it stated that he himself was intimately acquainted with the financial obligations of the elder of these parties, and knows that he met them promptly. The loan was made, serious sickness came, and the elder party died prematurely. The wife of the younger died soon after marriage. The school enterprise failed and the notes have not been paid. However, some interest was paid, as the accounts will show. Your Committee advised the Accountant of this fund to accept the principal of these notes in full satisfaction, and indulge the hope that our surviving brother, the younger of said parties, may be able to settle on this basis.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. SANDLING,
C. M. BEACH,
J. M. ALDERMAN,
A. R. HERRING,
A. F. ROBINSON,
Committee.

J. L. Stewart, Treasurer of the Union Relief Fund in account with said Fund October 9th, 1907.

A full report of said Fund, as it came into the hand of said Treasurer, will be found in the minutes of the Association held at Beaufort, in October, 1875.

1.	Note dated March 4th, 1874, for $200.00. Collected on this note February 4th, 1876	$ 100.00
	Interest from date of payment to this date	184.05
2.	Note dated March 18th, 1874, for $4.00. Note on hand insolvent.	
3.	Note dated January 15th, 1875	128.50
	Interest on same to this date	235.15
4.	Note dated January 8th, 1875, for $90.00. Note on hand. Principal insolvent. Surety refused to pay.	
5.	Note dated October 19th, 1876, for $15.00. Note surrendered by order of the Trustees. See Clerk's notes at end of report—minutes 1875.	
6.	Note dated October 7th, 1869, said to have been in renewal of note No. 5, hence No. 5 surrendered. Interest on No. 6 to January 1st, 1876, paid July 28th, 1876	6.75
	And note for $15.48 dated July 28th, 1876, given in renewal, on hand. Had the maker of this note lived, Treasurer thinks he would have paid, but he died soon after the above date.	
	Interest on $6.75 from date of payment to this date	12.86
7.	Note for $32.15 renewed by note for $44.15, dated July 13th, 1876. Renewal note now on hand. Party failed to pay. See his letter herewith filed. (This letter is on file with the original reports made by J. L. Stewart, of which this is a partial copy. This copy made to conform to motion passed at Association in session at Warsaw, October, 1908.	
8.	Note for $10.00, dated October 7th, 1869. Party dead. Heirs offer to pay this and $10.00 more, which Auditing Committee thinks fair. Hence accepted in full payment	20.00
9.	Note dated August 24th, 1874. Paid October 6th, 1880. (Partial payment)	65.00
	Interest from date of payment to this date	101.40
	Note paid in full December 13th, 1880	54.92
	Interest from date of payment to this date	84.85
10.	Note dated August 1st, 1857, for $38.25. Party died insolvent. Note on hand.	

11. Note dated August 28th, 1875, for $57.78. Party died insolvent. Note on hand.
12. Note dated June 16th, 1880, for $79.25. Interest paid to April 19th, 1886..... 27.69
Interest on this payment from its date to this date..... 34.00
Note on hand with interest from April 19th, 1886.
13. Note dated October 6th, 1881, for $100.00. Interest paid to April 19th, 1886..... 27.20
Interest on said payment from its date to this date..... 33.38
Note on hand with interest from April 19th, 1886.

Total.....$1110.75

1875. July 30th.

Collection at Mount Gilead	$13.95	
Collection at Boykin's Chapel	3.20	
	$17.15	
Amount paid Bro. Utley	$ 6.00	
Amount paid Bro. Guy	10.00	
	$16.00	
Now on hand from that date		1.15
Total		$1111.90

Of the above total $426.21 is principal and $685.69 is interest.

J. L. Stewart's vouchers as Treasurer of the Union Relief Fund as follows:

1. Paid Jacob Utley, January 2nd, 1878.....$ 6.00
Interest to this date..... 10.35
2. Paid Jacob Utley, July 10th, 1883..... 10.00
Interest to this date..... 13.95
3. Paid to G. W. Hufham, April 19th, 1886..... 50.00
Interest to this date..... 61.42
4. Paid G. W. Hufham, April 19th, 1886 (Kennedy)..... 27.44
Interest to this date..... 33.70
5. Paid Alfred Guy's Widow, April 19th, 1886..... 27.44
Interest to this date..... 33.70
6. Paid Stewart & Hines, September 13th, 1887, for G. W. Hufham.. 10.75
Interest to this date..... 12.30
7. Note .....$ 79.25
Interest to this date..... 97.34
8. Note 100.00
Interest to this date..... 122.82— 399.41
Cash on hand..... 1.90

Total credits .....$ 698.36

Of the above total $312.78 is principal and $385.58 is interest.
Total receipts with interest, $1,111.90; total disbursements with interest, $698.36. Balance on hand, $413.54.
Total receipts without interest, $426.21; total disbursements without interest, $312.78.
Paid to the Relief Board Baptist State Convention.....$500.00

(Signed) J. L. STEWART.

J. T. Alderman

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Moderator—C. E. Daniel.....Turkey, N. C.
Clerk—A. R. Herring.....Delway, N. C.
Treasurer—C. M. Beach.....Delway, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, D. W. Fussell, W. H. Hagwood, J. R. Peterson.

MINISTERS:

J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandlin, J. M. Page, Braxton Craig, J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, J. B. Newton, C. F. Hopper, J. M. Alderman, D. S. Kennedy, E. Lee Fox, W. J. Jones, B. F. DeLoatch, W. L. Britt, B. G. Early, Henry Carter, J. M. Duncan.

MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION:

R. C. Sandlin, J. M. Alderman, B. G. Early, J. M. Page, Braxton Craig, J. B. Newton, E. Lee Fox, W. B. Rivenbark, A. L. Betts, D. S. Kennedy, J. H. Booth, W. L. Britt.

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into Covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, Holiness and Comfort; to promote its prosperity and Spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the Ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior. We further agree to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible unite with some other Church, where we can carry out the Spirit of this Covenant and principles of God's Word.

RULES OF ORDER:

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a Chairman pro tem. shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily session read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of the Association; and if any one shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The rules of order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Calling for Petitionary Letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Roll call of churches after report of each Special Committee.
11. Report of Treasurer.
12. Miscellaneous Business.
13. Incidental and routine Business shall be in order at any time.
14. Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION:

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of Churches of this body, and three delegates from each Church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference and Executive Committee.

Art. 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the Church. Provided, however, that when any church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertence the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body, and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, That our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee, in order that said Committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the Churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character, and a Missionary sermon.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two thirds of the members present.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Sixty-sixth Annual Session of the Eastern Association met with the Corinth Baptist Church, Duplin County, N. C., October 5th, 1909. The Introductory sermon was preached by J. M. Alderman, 2nd Samuel 6:3.

The Association was called to order by Moderator C. E. Daniels.

The roll of Churches was called and a majority being found present, the Association proceeded to organize.

Upon motion the following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Finance Committee—C. L. Herring, J. R. Peterson, F. M. Southerland.

Committee on Digest of Church Letters—B. G. Early, L. Middleton, W. D. Henderson.

Upon motion by R. C. Sandlin, the Moderator appointed C. M. Beach and W. B. Rivenbark reading clerks.

Moved by Braxton Craig, that reading of the church letters be dispensed with and that the reading clerks be requested to read only the names of the messengers.

Motion prevailed.

The roll of Churches was called and the messengers enrolled as follows:

Alpine—Represented by Letter.
Alum Springs—Gaston Kelly, P. H. Chesnutt, W. H. Kelly.
Bethel—A. J. Smith, Abner Page, E. D. Allen.
Beulah—By Letter.
Beulaville—John G. Bostic.
Beulah Chapel—J. A. Williamson, C. L. Herring.
Bear Marsh—J. E. Swinson, Charles Noblin.
Boykin's Chapel—Not represented.
Calypso—F. M. Sellers, John R. Parker.
Cedar Fork—J. B. Thigpen, Eddie Thigpen.
Centre—F. D. Smith, Kelly Peterson.
Clinton—D. S. Ray, H. L. Stewart.
Concord—J. C. Boone, J. H. Alderman, C. J. Brice.
Corinth—J. C. Williams, B. F. Fussell, J. T. Wilkins.
Delway—C. M. Beach, W. H. Hagwood, Lee Carlton.
Dobson's Chapel—C. J. Bradshaw, Perry J. Dobson.
Ebenezer—George Highsmith, J. D. Highsmith, A. J. Alderman.
Faison—V. N. Seawell, N. B. Powell.
Hallsville—Jas. D. Brown, J. W. Bostic, L. W. Williams.
Island Creek—Daniel Blanton, J. D. Carter, E. M. Teachey.
Johnson's—C. C. Everett, H. J. Phillips.
Kenansville—B. G. Early, H. G. Early.
Lisbon—A. R. Herring, W. B. Lamb.
Magnolia—K. E. Hollingsworth, W. D. Wilson, Theo. Middleton.
Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn, W. H. Ives.
Mount Gilead—I. W. Powell, T. H. Matthis.
Mount Olive—Y. F. Jones, O. B. Hawkins.
New Hope—Willie Drew, J. F. Williams, F. M. Carroll.
Piney Grove—W. J. Weeks, C. E. Hair, W. H. Odom.
Poplar Grove—R. C. Bell, L. D. Rogers.
Rose Hill—W. D. Henderson, W. B. Hawes, P. C. Fussell.
Rowan—J. T. Kennedy, J. R. Peterson, E. H. Lewis.
Sharon—W. D. Brock, J. W. Blanchard, R. C. Seawell.
Siloam—D. T. Johnson, W. B. Highsmith, Eddie Jones.
Springvale—A. Matthis.
Turkey—C. E. Shipp, Larkin Phipps, W. J. West.
Warsaw—S. A. Strickland, F. C. Middleton, F. M. Southerland.

Upon motion, the Constitution was suspended and H. L. Stewart was requested to cast the ballot of the Association for C. E. Daniel for Moderator, which was done and C. E. Daniel was declared Moderator of the Association.

Upon motion, the Constitution was suspended and H. L. Stewart was requested to cast the ballot of the Association for A. R. Herring for Clerk, which was done and A. R. Herring was declared Clerk.

Upon motion, the Constitution was suspended and J. M. Page was requested to cast the ballot of the Association for C. M. Beach for Treasurer, which was done and C. M. Beach was declared Treasurer.

Moved by J. B. Newton, that the Association raise a committee on Order of Business.

Motion prevailed.

The following were appointed: J. B. Newton, J. M. Alderman, W. H. Middleton.

An invitation was extended visiting brethren to announce themselves: A. Johnson, for the Orphanage; E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary, and A. L. Betts, for the Recorder, responded.

A petitionary letter from the Turkey Baptist Church was read. Moved by Braxton Craig, that a Committee of three be appointed to examine the Covenant and Articles of Faith and report to the Association.

Motion prevailed.

Committee: R. C. Sandlin, J. M. Alderman, J. M. Page.

On motion by J. A. Powell, the Association took recess till 2 o'clock.

Benediction by B. G. Early.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 2 p. m. by Moderator. Prayer by W. B. Rivenbark.

On motion by J. M. Alderman, the usual Committees were raised, to-wit:

State Missions—D. S. Kennedy, J. A. Powell, D. H. Middleton.
Home Missions—W. B. Rivenbark, V. N. Seawell, Lee Carlton.
Foreign Missions—Braxton Craig, H. L. Stewart, K. E. Hollingsworth.
Orphanage—R. C. Sandlin, J. F. Williams, Geo. Highsmith, A. Johnson.
Woman's Work—J. M. Page, J. T. Kennedy, R. C. Bell.
Periodicals—J. H. Booth, Maury Ward, D. S. Ray, A. L. Betts.
Sunday Schools—C. M. Beach, W. B. Lamb, C. E. Hare, E. L. Middleton.
Ministerial Education—E. Lee Fox, C. E. Shipp, C. J. Bradshaw.
General Education—J. M. Alderman, I. W. Powell, B. F. Fussell.
Ministers' Relief—J. B. Newton, W. D. Wilson, J. D. Carter.
Obituaries—A. R. Herring, J. G. Bostic, J. W. Blanchard.
Temperance—W. H. Hagwood, D. T. Johnson, Gaston Kelly.
To Nominate Delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions—D. S. Ray, C. C. Everett, L. A. Southerland.
To Nominate Executive Committee—H. B. Stewart, W. B. Hawes, F. C. Middleton.
To Nominate Preachers—J. T. Wilkins, J. A. Williamson, J. C. Boone.

On motion of C. M. Beach, any brother who may be present at any sister Association is authorized to represent this Association as Corresponding delegate.

Report of Committee on Order of Business was read by J. B. Newton and adopted.

Report of committee on Petitionary Letters was read by R. C. Sandlin and adopted, and Turkey Baptist Church was received as a member of the Association.

Report on Periodicals was read by J. H. Booth.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

All Baptists so far as possible should inform and keep informed themselves in matters pertaining to the Baptist cause in the State. The Biblical Recorder, the organ of the Baptist State Convention, a paper ably edited by Rev. Hight C. Moore, has on its paper every week such valuable information pertaining to Baptist interests as Baptists ought to know, therefore every true Baptist ought to co-operate with the editor in his endeavor to enlist all Baptists in the Recorder family. Charity and Children, our Orphanage paper published at Thomasville, N. C., is one of the best and most instructive papers of its class. It keeps vividly before us the conditions, needs and workings of the Orphanage. It should be loved and read by the Baptist people in the State.

In order that we keep in touch and in sympathy with the work in the foreign fields it is necessary that we know something of the efforts and sacrifices that have been and are being made to give the gospel to people who know not the true God, and something of what we by the Lord's help have accomplished. The Foreign Mission Journal gives us much of the needed information.

The Home Field is the monthly mission journal of Southern Baptists for home missions. This periodical is published by the Home Mission Board. "Its purpose is to disseminate information and kindle devotion to the work of evangelizing the home land." No Southern Baptist home should be without it.

Your committee recommends that the pastors in this Association earnestly endeavor to have these periodicals go into every home in their pastorates.

J. H. BOOTH,
D. S. RAY,
MAURY WARD,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by A. L. Betts, B. G. Early, Archibald Johnson.

The report was adopted.

Moved by Braxton Craig that the Committee on Periodicals be made the Committee on Biblical Recorder.

It was so ordered.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by C. M. Beach.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Missionary Baptists are justly proud and humbly thankful for the important place which God has given them in organizing and developing the great Sunday School movement.

This position places us under mighty obligations to the Sunday School work. Are we faithfully meeting this obligation? In North Carolina there are 300,000 white children between four and twenty-one who never attend Sunday School. The entire enrolment in Baptist Sunday Schools is only seventy per cent. as large as our church membership. The Eastern Association is very little ahead of the general average.

The reports to our Sunday School Convention in May indicate general though rather slow progress. Since that time special Sunday School Rallies have been held with seven of our churches, and the Sunday school work was given special discussion in six of our Educational Rallies. We hope this campaign work will result in better organization, more efficient teaching and an enlarged membership. Your Committee urges:

1. The use of our Sunday School literature, published in Nashville, in all our Sunday Schools.

2. A special effort on the part of pastors and delegates to enlist our own church membership.

3. A more hearty interest in pushing the campaign work during next year.
4. A liberal pledge or a special collection in each church during the year for Sunday School Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
C. E. HARE,
W. B. LAMB,
E. L. MIDDLETON,
C. M. BEACH,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt E. L. Middleton addressed the Association.
The roll of Churches called and $73.25 was pledged for Sunday School Missions.
The report was adopted.
The report on Ministerial Relief was read by J. B. Newton.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

For nineteen years the Baptists of North Carolina have been contributing to the Ministers' Relief Board. The purpose of this Board is to supply the needs of our old and worn out ministers and their widows. There are thirty-two aided at the present time. They receive from forty to one hundred dollars a year. This is not sufficient, but is the most that can be allowed from the contributions that go up from our churches. The Eastern Association gave last year one hundred dollars and fifteen cents which was four dollars and seventy-five cents less than the previous year, and the pledges were less at last Association than the amount raised last year. This should not be. We cannot afford to retrograde. Let us stand nobly by this worthy object as we should by every object of our Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. NEWTON,
Committee.

J. B. Newton and A. L. Betts spoke to the report.
The report was adopted.
The roll of Churches was called and $106.00 pledged to this object.
On motion by J. M. Page, the Association adjourned after Benediction by W. L. Britt.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises conducted by B. G. Early.
Association called to order by Moderator.
Roll of messengers called and minutes of sessions of the 5th read and approved.
Report of Executive Committee read by L. Middleton.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We are glad to report progress on our Mission field. The Lord has greatly blessed the efforts put forth in this department of His work.

Brother B. G. Early has been serving the churches at Sharon, Cedar Fork and Beulaville since the first of last January. He has held a meeting of —— days with each church, preached ninety-six sermons, eighteen have been received into the fellowship of the churches by baptism, two by letter and one by restoration. He has collected the following amounts for Missions: On field State Missions, $7.00; Home Missions, $6.22; Foreign Missions, $10.60; Associational Missions, $11.00; Orphanage, $6.70; Ministerial Education, $5.20; Ministers' Relief, $2.50; Sunday School Missions, $1.00; total amount collected for Missions, $43.72. Collected on Pastors' salary, $121.50. Total amount collected, $165.22.

We have no house of worship at Beulaville yet. The brethren have se-

cured a lot at a cost of $125.00. They have let out a contract for the lumber and hope soon to begin the erection of a house of worship.

The Spiritual condition is indeed encouraging. Bro. D. S. Kennedy has been serving the church at Alum Springs during the past year and has preached at Prospect, a Mission point, since the early spring.

Total collection for all, $38.30.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. DANIEL,
W. H. MIDDLETON,
D. W. FUSSELL,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
J. R. PETERSON,
Committee.

Report of Committee on State Missions was read by W. L. Britt.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions are necessary if any Missions are necessary. In fact, the question of the need of State Missions is wrapped up in the question as to whether Baptists have any right to exist. For if Baptists have any right of existence, if there is any need that the doctrines they hold be preached at all, then there is that same need that those doctrines be preached in North Carolina, and if North Carolina, then surely these doctrines ought to be preached in the destitute sections of our beloved State. And every section of the State is destitute except where the doctrines as held by us are preached and proclaimed in such a way that every person can have the opportunity of hearing them. If we Baptists are telling of the way of eternal life as Jesus taught it, then everybody should have an opportunity of knowing it. If we are not doing this, then we ought to shut up and quit business altogether. We have the gospel. We have our mission in the world. Let's give the gospel to every needy soul and thus fulfill our mission. Let's see what we are doing to evangelize our own State.

There are in the State of North Carolina to-day about 1,100,000 unconverted people, 600,000 of these are grown up folks. These are scattered all over the State, and many of them live within a stones cast of some of our flourishing churches. But some of them live in places so situated that they have never heard an evangelical sermon. That man yonder in the shadow of some great church has shown us that he will not have the gospel. This other fellow has not been given any show. Look to it brethren, and do your duty.

The State Mission Board employs this year for all or part of their time 148 missionaries. These baptized about 2,000 persons. The Baptists of the State gave an average of 18 1-4 cents a piece to send the gospel to the destitute in our own State. May the Lord help us do better this year.

D. S. KENNEDY,
J. A. POWELL,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the Association was addressed by B. G. Early, Braxton Craig and J. M. Page.

On motion by J. M. Page, the time allowed for discussion of report on State Missions was extended thirty minutes.

A collection was taken for State Missions amounting to $17.00.

The reports were adopted and pledges taken for the same.

By motion of J. M. Alderman the time allowed to report on Orphanage was extended to 12:30 o'clock.

The report on the Orphanage was read by Archibald Johnson.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

There are 382 children at the Orphanage at the present time. Two new buildings, the Noah Richardson Library and the Infirmary known as the

"Woman's building", have been completed since the last meeting of this Association. The erection of these houses add about $15,000 to the value of the Orphanage plant.

The health record for the past year was excellent, and the general progress of the children gratifying. The school which consists of eight grades is well organized and is under the general direction of Miss Edwards, a graduate of Meredith College. A number of the children who have passed through the Orphanage school are attending the town school which carries ten grades.

The per capita cost of maintaining the children is $6.42 per month. This in view of the high prices of provisions that prevail is a reasonable statement, as it covers not only the cost of the board and clothing of the children, but the salaries of the employees and all the remaining expenses of the institution.

Almost five hundred Sunday Schools are giving a monthly collection to the Orphanage. This has proven to be a valuable source of help and blesses not only the Orphanage but the schools. We heartily urge our Sunday Schools that have not adopted this plan to give it a trial. We also urge our churches to make a special Thanksgiving offering to the Orphanage. As the number enlarges our obligations to bear a part of the support of this blessed institution increases. We ought to find joy in shouldering our share of the load.

R. C. SANDLIN,
GEO. HIGHSMITH,
J. F. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

Pending the adoption of report the Association was addressed by Archibald Johnson.

Pledges taken and the report on the Orphanage was adopted.

Report of Finance Committee read by C. L. Herring.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We your Committee on Finance beg leave to report the following amounts as having been sent to this Association with the Church letters, received into the hands of the Finance Committee, and paid over to your Treasurer and his receipts taken therefor.

Associational Missions	$ 218.79
State Missions	51.05
Home Missions	27.61
Foreign Missions	57.02
Gospel Missions	5.40
Sunday School Missions	13.50
Students' Aid Fund	2.15
Orphanage	69.60
Colportage	
Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention	1.00
Ministerial Education	24.00
Ministers' Relief	25.79
Minute Fund	44.56
Total	$ 540.47

F. M. SOUTHERLAND,
J. R. PETERSON,
C. L. HERRING,
Committee.

Corinth, N. C., October 7, 1909.

Received of Finance Committee.....$ 540.47
Five hundred and forty dollars and forty-seven cents.

C. M. BEACH,
October 6, 1909. Treasurer.

The reports of Finance Committee and Treasurer were adopted.

On motion, a collection for Minute fund was taken amounting to $12.05.

Report of Treasurer was read by W. H. Middleton, which report, on motion, was referred to an Auditing Committee consisting of J. A. Powell, J. F. Williams, A. R. Herring.

On motion by W. B. Rivenbark the Association took a recess till 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Benediction by D. S. Kennedy.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association called to order at 2:00 p. m. by the Moderator.

Prayer by J. M. Alderman.

Report of Committee on Woman's Work was read by J. M. Page.

The report after being discussed by J. M. Page, Braxton Craig, W. L. Britt, W. B. Rivenbark, J. M. Alderman was adopted. (Report will be found in Appendix.)

Final leave of absence was granted to the messengers from Cedar Fork, F. M. Southerland, C. E. Shipp, C. L. Herring, J. A. Williamson, E. Lee Fox.

Reports on General Education and Ministerial Education were read by J. M. Alderman and E. Lee Fox.

REPORT ON BAPTIST GENERAL EDUCATION.

Institutions of learning largely shape the thought of the educated, and these become the source of the nation's thought and life. Prussia has said, "Whatever you would have appear in the nation's life you must put in the public schools." If this is true for nations is it not also true for denominations. Hence, we need an atmosphere in our class rooms congenial to religion, together with something that will bring men to Christ, fashion them after His character, and prepare them for His service. In the fact that secular institutions are circumscribed and limited by the very nature of their being, and Baptist institutions are not, we have a very important mission. In addition to what we have already been doing for Christian Education, the last Baptist State Convention appointed a Baptist Secondary School Board with the instructions that that Board "select such Secondary Baptist schools as may be deemed wise, which schools shall be made centers of Baptist effort to equip, and as soon as possible, to endow so far as necessary, to secure permanence and general usefulness."

The Board was further instructed to select a Secretary to be known as "Educational Secretary of the Convention," who is to give his entire time to canvassing the State in the interest of these schools. The Board elected Prof. G. E. Lineberry to this position. He has been on the field since the 1st of June.

Dell School has been selected for the South Eastern corner of North Carolina, including the territory of eight Associations: Eastern, Wilmington, Brunswick, Cape Fear, Columbus, Cumberland, South River and Bladen. Six of which are already represented in the student body. Prof. Lineberry being Secretary for the entire State can only give us a portion of his time. He has already given us the month of June, with a promise of a speedy return. We would commend him and his important work to the churches.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. ALDERMAN,
I. W. POWELL,
B. F. FUSSELL,
Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

As the Ministry of the Gospel of our Lord is the highest calling assigned to man, we believe that worthy young men called of God to preach the unsearchable riches of grace should have the most careful training.

Many doctrines are afloat at the present time which demand an educated ministry. The man who stands in the sacred desk is of all men most responsible to God as a light to the world, and so needs all the training, in both heart and head that it is possible for him to get. To meet this demand we have at Wake Forest College the Board of Education which aids worthy young men called of God in the fulfilment of this needful preparation to proclaim the blessed gospel of our Lord.

Sixty odd men are being aided by this Board, and they need funds.

Your Committee earnestly commend the Board of Education at Wake Forest to the consideration of this body.

E. LEE FOX,
C. E. SHIPP,
C. J. BRADSHAW,
Committee.

Pending the motion to adopt these reports, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman, Archibald Johnson, J. M. Page, R. C. Sandlin, J. H. Booth and E. Lee Fox.

The reports were adopted.

The Association then adjourned.

Benediction by R. C. Sandlin.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises conducted by J. B. Newton. Scripture used Acts 2.

At 10:00 a. m. Moderator called the Association to order.

Roll of messengers called and corrected.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.

The report on Temperance read by W. H. Hagwood.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Prohibition is a fixed law in North Carolina by a majority vote of more than forty-four thousand of the best men of the State. The end of that law is the final suppression of the traffic of intoxicating liquors in North Carolina. This being true it is the duty as well as the blessed privilege of every good citizen and specially those of us claiming to be the followers of Christ who died to save us, to do all in our power to enforce or to see that the law is enforced, and to use all just means to have national laws enacted that will protect our State laws. In our homes, schools, and churches, we should teach the rising generation temperance and obedience to the laws of our country. And when we have done this, the people of the Eastern Association will pass to their reward feeling that they have been faithful to the duty entrusted to them, and will be ready to hear the summons "Well done" to the faithful.

We should keep a close watch on what is known as near-beer, and see that it is kept within the bounds of the law.

We would ask our pastors to have a collection taken once a year in each of their churches for the benefit of the Anti-Saloon League, as it is dependent on the people for its expenses. Brethren, with grateful hearts for the great progress already gained in Temperance, and looking unto him who is able to give us grace and strength to carry on the battle to the finish, the victory is ours. For Temperance let us be faithful unto death and a crown of life is the promised reward.

GASTON KELLY,
D. T. JOHNSON,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
Committee.

W. H. Hagwood spoke to the report after which the report was adopted.
Report of Committee on Home Missions was read by W. B. Rivenbark.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Through the work of the Home Mission Board we have an opportunity of doing for the South that which, through the work of the State Board of Missions, we are trying to do for North Carolina. Some one has well said: "As goes the South, so goes America, and as goes America, so goes the world."

We must strengthen the bulwarks of Christian civilization in our Southland now, or it will be too late to do so when the flood tide of the old world sweeps in upon us.

The results that have attended the work of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention during the past year are both a notable advance on the former records of this Board, and upon the similar record of the domestic mission reports of other denominations.

Between 1904 and 1909 the amount raised for the Home Mission Board has more than doubled. It has increased from $127,850 to $283,436. The results have made an even more pronounced advance. Between 1904 and 1909 baptisms have increased more than three-fold. In 1904 they were 7,526. In 1909 they were 25,109.

During the past year there were 22,404 baptisms, and 18,015 added by letter, making a splendid average of 110 additions a day for the entire year. The addition to Mission churches in 1904 were 16,797, and for the present year they were 47,808. During this period of five years the number of churches organized has increased from 157 to 338. The Board employs five evangelists and 961 missionaries. The work of the Home Board is varied. In Cuba we have twenty missionaries and school workers. In the Canal Zone we have six missionaries and educational workers. Between fifteen and twenty missionaries are preaching the gospel to the Indians, seven of these are paid entirely by our Home Board, the others are doing co-operative work among the tribes, the Osage and Pawnee Indians.

Between fifteen and twenty missionaries are working in Texas among the 400,000 Mexicans. Among the negroes the Home Board is doing a successful work through its more than thirty evangelists. More than three thousand baptisms were reported last year from this work. Besides those mentioned above, about a score of missionaries will this year be engaged largely in the ports in larger cities in leading foreigners to accept that faith in Christ which has been the foundation of American greatness. More than twenty women missionaries and workers are engaged in service of the Board in the South. In the twenty-four mission schools in the mountain belt of the South, the Board has 121 teachers and 43,000 students. Eight years ago there were only six Baptist schools struggling for existence in the mountains.

There are now 24 well organized schools, eight of them in North Carolina. A sad fact is that last year this Association gave less than nine cents per member to Home Missions.

W. B. RIVENBARK,
V. N. SEAWELL,
LEE CARLTON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, W. B. Rivenbark and J. M. Alderman spoke to the report.

Pledges were taken and the report was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Braxton Craig.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The most audacious command ever given to any people was given by our Lord and Master to His little band, as He was about to leave them, to return

to His Father's house. He who gave the command had just conquered death and the grave and with the assurance of victory, He commanded His followers to "go ye therefore, and teach all nations; * * * * and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." This command is just as binding upon us, as it was upon the "fishermen of Galilee." In fact, we cannot claim the promise of the abiding Christ unless we do obey this command.

But the question is asked will not the heathen be saved without the gospel, if they do the best that they can? We do not propose to answer this question. Suffice it to say that God's word teaches that: "There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." It is our duty to obey God, and not to ask questions.

In view of this plain and positive command, how slow we have been to obey, and how little have we done, and how few are engaged in doing the little, that is done! Some refuse to give, because they say it takes too much to collect and disburse the money, and therefore the Missionary gets but little of what is given. Last year was one of the most difficult years to raise money that we have ever experienced. We had to borrow large sums of money to pay our missionaries, and yet out of every dollar given to missions the missionary received eighty-seven and a half cents. In other words it cost last year to collect and disburse, twelve and a half per cent., and two per cent. of this went to pay interest on borrowed money. If all of our churches had paid promptly we would have saved $8,462.27 which was paid as interest on borrowed money, and yet this money had to be borrowed in order that our missionaries might live.

Now let us take a look at the field:

In Foreign land we spent last year $403,639.86.

We had last year 23 missionaries and 375 native helpers, and a membership of 16,596, and had last year 2,905 baptisms. A glorious year's work.

The work is great but the laborers are few: "Pray ye therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers unto his harvest."

Now let us look at our own Association:

We have 36 churches with a membership of 3,833 and gave last year for Foreign Missions $418.53 or about eleven cents per member, and have pledged for the year just ended $377.50, or not quite ten cents per member.

Two churches failed to contribute anything for Foreign Missions last year. Fourteen of our churches gave less than five cents per member. Ten other of our churches gave less than ten cents per member, and only three churches gave as much as twenty-five cents per member. Delway, with 57 members, gave $20.00, or about 35 cents per member. Mount Olive, with 187 members, gave $53.75, or 31 1-2 cents per member. Warsaw, with 217 members, gave $66.15, or a little over thirty cents per member. Magnolia and Bear Marsh nearly reached the 25 cents per member mark. North Carolina is asked for $40,000.00 this year, and this Association is asked for $495.00, an increase of about twenty-five per cent. over last year. If we shall raise this amount we will only have to give thirteen cents per member.

Your committee recommend that every church make an advance of twenty-five per cent. and that the 26 churches giving less than ten cents per member make an honest effort to raise this pledge to at least ten cents per member.

BRAXTON CRAIG,
Committee.

Pending the adoption of the report Braxton Craig addressed the Association. Just here the Association suspended business to be led in prayer for our Foreign Missions by J. M. Alderman.

Pledges were taken and the report was adopted.

The report on Obituaries was read by R. C. Sandlin.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on Obituaries beg leave to make a fuller statement of the life and work of Rev. W. A. Melvin, as only a passing mention was made to the fact at the last session of the Association.

Rev. W. A. Melvin, a man of God and full of good works, was born on the 20th of October, 1824. He joined the church at Beaverdam, Cumberland County, North Carolina, and was baptized into the fellowship of the above named church in 1842, by the Rev. Mr. Hayes. He was licensed and ordained to the gospel ministry in 1881. The Presbytery ordaining Bro. Melvin consisted of the following brethren, to-wit: J. W. Gurganus, J. M. Register and J. P. Lenord.

I will give the name of some of the churches he pastored, namely, Colvin Creek, Moore's Creek, Haw Bluff, Hallsville, Dobson's Chapel, Berea, Ivanhoe, Corinth, Springvale, Mount Pleasant, Sharon, Smith's Chapel. Beside these he preached at many school houses and helped in meetings at many churches.

Your writer was with him not many days before his death and found him happy and ready to go and be with his Father and Savior, for he had lived long and well in the land which the Lord God had given him. He being more than eighty years old at the time of his death.

A. R. HERRING,
J. G. BOSTIC,
J. W. BLANCHARD,
Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Received from all sources	$ 941.78
Disbursed as follows:	
Associational Missions	$ 448.03
State Missions	51.15
Home Missions	62.36
Foreign Missions	97.23
Gospel Missions	8.35
Sunday School	7.00
Colportage	2.00
Students' Aid Fund	7.00
Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention	30.58
Orphanage	112.47
Ministerial Education	35.00
Ministers' Relief	37.00
Minute Fund	43.61
Total	$ 941.78

W. H. MIDDLETON,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your committee beg leave to report that they find the report of W. H. Middleton, Treasurer, correct.

J. A. POWELL,
J. F. WILLIAMS,
A. R. HERRING,
Committee.

The reports were adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The committee appointed to nominate the Executive Committee begs leave to submit the following names: C. E. Daniels, D. W. Fussell, W. H. Hagwood and W. H. Middleton.

D. S. RAY,
C. C. EVERETT,
L. A. SOUTHERLAND,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE DELEGATES TO THE STATE AND SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONS.

We, the undersigned committee, having been appointed to nominate delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Convention respectfully recommend the election of Brethren Thad. Jones, A. R. Herring and E. P. Blanchard delegates to the State Convention, and Brother C. E. Daniel to the Southern Baptist Convention, with Rev. Braxton Craig, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
D. S. RAY,
S. A. STRICKLAND,
C. C. EVERETT,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE PREACHERS.

To preach Introductory sermon, Braxton Craig; to preach Missionary sermon, J. H. Booth.

J. T. WILKINS,
J. A. WILLIAMSON,
J. C. BOONE,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion by Braxton Craig, C. M. Beach was elected Associational Secretary for the ensuing year.

RESOLUTION BY B. G. EARLY.

Whereas, we believe it necessary to arouse our people to a greater degree of interest in Sunday School Missions and Christian Education; therefore be it Resolved, by this Association now in session:

1st. That a committee be appointed to arrange a general campaign among the churches during next summer for the presentation of these subjects.

2nd. That each pastor be requested to assist as far as possible to make the campaign a success.

The resolution was adopted and the Moderator appointed C. M. Beach, Braxton Craig and B. G. Early, as the committee.

On motion, the reading of the report on Digest of Church Letters was dispensed with.

RESOLUTION BY W. B. RIVENBARK.

Resolved, that this Association request the churches composing this body not to send any money to the Association except that for Associational Missions and minute fund.

Resolution was adopted.

Upon request of B. G. Early, the following amounts were pledged for Beulaville church:

Delway*	$ 5.00
Rowan*	2.00
Lisbon*	1.00
New Hope	2.00

Corinth	3.00
Mount Gilead*	1.00
Sharon*	1.00
Dobson's Chapel*	2.00
Bethel	1.00
Hallsville	2.00
Braxton Craig for Churches	5.00
Siloam*	1.00
Johnson's	2.00
Rose Hill*	1.00
Island Creek	1.00
V. M. Seawell*	2.00

Those marked * have paid.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS BY J. M. ALDERMAN.

Resolved, That this Association express a vote of thanks to this church and community for the hearty welcome and entertainment we have received during this session.

This resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

On motion by W. B. Rivenbark, the Moderator appointed the chairman of the following committees:

Foreign Missions—Braxton Craig.
Home Missions—J. H. Booth.
State Missions—B. G. Early.
Woman's Work—W. B. Rivenbark.
Orphanage—R. C. Sandlin.
Ministerial Education—J. M. Page.
Recorder—J. M. Alderman.
Sunday Schools—D. S. Kennedy.
General Education—C. M. Beach.
Ministers' Relief—J. B. Newton.

On motion, the election of the place for the meeting of the next session was ordered. Bethel, Dobson's Chapel and Kenansville asked for the next session to meet with them. Bethel was elected as the place.

The business of the session finished the Association adjourned to meet with the Bethel Baptist Church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1910.

The Association joined in singing, "Blest be the Tie that Binds".

R. C. Sandlin led the closing prayer.

C. E. DANIEL, Moderator.

A. R. HERRING, Clerk.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Sunday School Missions.	Poor.	Incidentals.	Other Objects.	Pastor's Salary.	Minute Fund.	Building and Repairs.	Students' Aid Fund.	Total.	Sunday School Expenses.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.
Alpine	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$.....	$	$.....	$.....	$ 25	$.....	$ 1.00	$ 9.25	$.....	$.....	....
Alum Springs	25.00	3.30	1.29	2.02	6.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	39.31	.....	750	250
Bethel	32.65	10.50	13.45	14.21	14.25	8.00	8.04	.....	.....	.....	30.00	150.00	1.50	.....	2.15	184.75	.....	.....	....
Beulah	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	9.00	2.25	.....	....
Beulahville	55.00	3.00	2.00	2.74	3.70	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	12.75	55.04	1.00	105.00	.....	241.23	6.00	800	300
Beulah Chapel	.....	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	25	.....	.....	66.25	.....	.....	....
Bear Marsh	22.00	2.50	2.50	41.15	10.00	.....	2.25	1.00	5.00	.....	.....	150.00	1.50	.....	.....	237.90	21.00	.....	400
Boykin's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Calypso	30.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	5.00	5.00	2.50	.....	55.00	44.15	400.00	1.00	.....	.....	627.65	20.00	3250	250
Cedar Fork	1.00	2.00	2.00	2.60	1.00	1.00	50	.....	.....	.....	2.50	12.50	1.00	.....	.....	26.10	.....	500	300
Centre	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	36.00	1.00	.....	.....	62.00	8.00	750	250
Clinton	15.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	3.00	.....	94.53	5.00	500.00	3.00	650.00	.....	1365.53	.....	6500	350
Concord	8.00	2.50	2.50	5.00	5.00	.....	2.00	.....	2.75	.....	.....	100.00	50	.....	.....	128.25	.....	500	200
Corinth	25.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	175.00	....	50.00	.....	303.00	25.40	.....	500
Delway	35.20	32.50	27.10	30.00	35.73	16.75	11.00	11.95	.....	.....	82.25	175.00	1.50	115.00	.....	573.38	.....	1500	500
Dobson's Chapel	25.00	2.00	2.50	5.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	17.01	100.00	1.00	55.00	.....	214.51	.....	500	300
Ebenezer	5.40	5.72	3.81	2.49	63	.....	.....	97	.....	.....	.....	120.00	1.00	57.00	.....	197.02	.....	300	300
Faison	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	63.78	200.00	1.00	.....	.....	189.78	.....	2000	300
Hallsville	10.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	5.53	1.82	2.00	1.07	.....	2.20	26.40	150.00	1.45	.....	.....	210.47	.....	600	400
Island Creek	40.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	2.00	5.00	.....	.....	1.00	54.00	200.00	2.00	.....	351.00	5.00	.....	1000	325
Johnson's	55.94	10.40	10.00	12.50	27.55	4.00	5.25	.....	9.00	.....	3.00	250.00	3.00	.....	.....	390.60	.....	1000	300
Kenansville	8.00	8.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	2.30	2.00	2.50	.....	16.31	4.00	150.00	1.00	.....	.....	219.11	.....	.....	....
Lisbon	15.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	11.68	5.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	150.00	1.35	.....	2.00	214.03	.....	1200	300
Maple Hill	2.00	2.00	2.00	3.07	4.00	1.00	2.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.00	50	.....	.....	116.69	6.40	600	200
Magnolia	20.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	15.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	10.00	.....	3.50	200.00	2.00	.....	.....	286.50	.....	1200	350
Mount Gilead	15.00	.....	.....	15.00	5.00	2.50	2.50	.....	.....	.....	20.00	113.85	1.00	.....	.....	174.85	5.50	1000	400
Mount Olive	75.00	34.75	20.00	54.55	10.00	10.00	9.37	5.00	46.80	78.27	60.00	700.00	3.00	200.00	.....	1306.74	.....	2500	300
New Hope	40.00	6.00	3.00	40.00	32.57	3.00	.....	2.00	15.00	35.00	.....	200.00	1.50	25.00	.....	403.07	6.00	500	300
Piney Grove	5.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	100.00	1.00	.....	.....	127.00	4.25	450	350
Poplar Grove	2.39	2.39	2.39	2.39	2.39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	12.45	3.21	400	300
Rose Hill	10.00	7.50	4.00	4.00	13.00	4.00	3.00	.....	.....	23.00	72.48	210.00	2.00	900.00	1.00	1253.98	.....	2500	400
Rowan	20.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	.....	2.79	2.50	.....	.....	40.51	.....	175.00	1.50	74.69	2.75	342.24	.....	800	300
Sharon	6.00	2.95	3.17	4.00	2.00	2.16	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	1.00	81.25	1.00	27.42	.....	132.95	5.00	625	300
Siloam	40.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	.....	4.50	5.50	150.00	1.25	82.00	.....	320.25	16.75	1200	500
Springvale	10.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	60.00	1.00	.....	.....	86.00	4.00	500	200
Turkey	1.60	1.65	1.03	1.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.70	.....	72.00	50	.....	.....	100.23	.....	100	....
Warsaw	55.00	15.00	15.00	60.00	.....	10.00	10.00	.....	7.65	75.00	177.10	500.00	2.00	10.00	.....	936.75	.....	5000	400
Total	711.18	255.16	210.24	436.97	326.73	107.82	106.03	46.99	106.20	472.02	684.42	5895.94	44.55	.....	359.90	10927.62	133.75	37,125	....

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES, AND THEIR TIME OF HOLDING SERVICES.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	TIME OF MEETING.
Alpine	J. B. Newton, Kerr	J. M. Hall, Kerr	Fourth Sunday.
Alum Springs	D. S. Kennedy, Kenansville	Joe L. Kelly, Kenansville	Second Sunday.
Bethel	J. L. Stuart, Clinton	Maury Ward, Rose Hill	Fourth Sunday.
Beulah	B. F. Deloatch, Clinton	F. J. Faison, Turkey	.....
Beulahville	B. G. Early, Kenansville	W. M. Bishop, Beulahville	Third Sunday.
Beulah Chapel	E. Lee Fox, Clinton	C. L. Herring, Clinton	Fourth Sunday.
Bear Marsh	J. H. Booth, Calypso	E. H. Faulk, Mount Olive	Third Sunday.
Boykin's Chapel	.....	.....	.....
Calypso	J. H. Booth, Calypso	J. L. Dickson, Calypso	Second Sunday.
Cedar Fork	B. G. Early, Kenansville	R. H. Sloan, Hallsville	Second Saturday.
Centre	Henry Carter, Garland	H. L. Herring, Garland	Second Sunday.
Clinton	B. F. Deloatch, Clinton	J. F. Faircloth, Clinton	1st and 3rd Sunday.
Concord	J. B. Newton, Kerr	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	First Sunday.
Corinth	B. F. Deloatch, Mount Olive	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	Second Sunday.
Delway	J. M. Alderman, Delway	W. L. Beach, Delway	First Sunday.
Dobson's Chapel	B. G. Early, Kenansville	Newton Brock, Kenansville	Fourth Sunday.
Ebenezer	W. J. Jones, Salemburg	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersburg	Fourth Sunday.
Faison	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	T. W. Smith, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Hallsville	B. G. Early, Kenansville	J. J. Strickland, Hallsville	Third Sunday.
Island Creek	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	E. M. Teachey, Rose Hill	First Sunday.
Johnson's	J. M. Page Rose Hill	L. Middleton, Warsaw	Third Sunday.
Kenansville	B. G. Early, Kenansville	Leslie Dail, Kenansville	.....
Lisbon	J. L. Stuart, Clinton	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	First Sunday.
Magnolia	J. H. Booth, Calypso	C. M. Middleton, Magnolia	First Sunday.
Maple Hill	W. L. Britt, Richlands	J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	Second Sunday.
Mount Gilead	J. M. Alderman, Delway	E. L. Croom, Clinton	Fourth Sunday.
Mount Olive	Braxton Craig, Mount Olive	B. A. Summerlin, Mount Olive	1st and 3rd Sunday.
New Hope	Braxton Craig, Mount Olive	J. H. Carlton, Warsaw	Second Sunday.
Piney Grove	J. L. Stuart, Clinton	S. H. Hare, Keeners	Second Sunday.
Poplar Grove	J. M. Duncan, Clinton	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Rose Hill	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	J. T. Vick, Rose Hill	Fourth Sunday.
Rowan	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	W. T. Robinson, Moltonville	Second Sunday.
Sharon	B. G. Early, Kenansville	J. W. Blanchard, Sloan	First Sunday.
Siloam	No Pastor	W. B. Highsmith, Kerr	.....
Springvale	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	J. M. Marshburn, Ingold	First Sunday.
Turkey	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	C. E. Shipp, Turkey	Second Sunday.
Warsaw	Braxton Craig, Mount Olive	F. C. Middleton, Warsaw	2nd and 4th Sunday.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Number of Members.	Contributions.		Average per member		Permanent Improvements.	Sunday Schools.		
			Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.		No. Students Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from Schools.
Alpine	....	22	$ 2.60	$ 9.00	$ 12	$ 41	$.....	48	28	....
Alum Springs	....	23	.....	38.31	.....	1.14	.....	....	....	....
Bethel	3	107	180.00	109.15	1.61	1.02	.....	....	....	....
Beulah	4	.....	.....	25.76	.....	.....	.....	85	50	....
Beulaville	15	46	67.75	17.44	1.50	38	105.00	51	35	4
Beulah Chapel	4	33	66.00	6.00	2.00	18	.....	47	33	4
Bear Marsh	....	64	176.00	81.40	1.07	49	.....	87	45	....
Boykin's Chapel	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Calypso	2	50	519.15	127.00	10.40	2.54	.....	85	49	....
Cedar Fork	3	31	14.50	10.10	47	32	.....	20	12	2
Centre	6	50	36.00	33.00	72	70	.....	28	15	4
Clinton	....	240	670.24	194.27	2.80	81	669.91	129	97	....
Concord	....	52	102.50	28.75	1.97	53	.....	39	22	....
Corinth	....	191	200.40	81.00	1.05	42	50.00	146	118	....
Delway	9	60	295.10	566.08	4.92	9.43	115.00	155	70	9
Dobson's Chapel	1	80	121.00	44.00	1.51	55	55.00	50	20	....
Ebenezer	8	66	134.47	29.08	2.04	48	57.00	36	21	....
Faison	4	68	288.78	31.00	4.25	47	.....	85	45	1
Hallsville	6	132	178.60	29.92	1.35	23	.....	66	20	....
Island Creek	4	232	255.00	99.00	1.10	43	.....	69	45	....
Johnson's	5	173	340.76	214.40	1.97	1.24	.....	190	129	4
Kenansville	1	78	215.61	99.29	2.78	1.27	.....	56	25	1
Lisbon	1	73	157.00	73.79	2.15	1.01	.....	42	20	....
Magnolia	....	164	258.71	158.77	1.82	97	.....	122	89	....
Maple Hill	....	61	106.90	20.74	1.75	33	.....	35	25	....
Mount Gilead	11	152	139.30	40.00	92	26	.....	63	30	8
Mount Olive	13	192	1007.99	410.10	5.26	2.13	200.00	155	91	11
New Hope	3	155	256.00	126.57	1.65	82	25.00	75	60	....
Piney Grove	13	143	104.25	26.00	73	17	.....	59	35	13
Poplar Grove	3	90	3.21	17.95	4	13	.....	64	40	2
Rose Hill	7	98	346.73	85.55	3.54	87	900.00	117	60	3
Rowan	20	182	242.12	67.58	1.33	37	74.69	191	85	16
Sharon	....	49	87.25	22.28	1.78	45	27.42	55	30	....
Siloam	6	122	176.75	84.85	1.45	70	82.00	166	75	6
Springvale	12	113	64.00	25.00	57	22	.....	65	35	7
Turkey	11	49	93.70	6.03	1.91	12	.....	....	....	....
Warsaw	17	224	825.80	306.25	3.69	1.37	.....	134	87	15
Total	192	3665	7764.17	3468.41	.....	.....	1861.02	2725	....	110

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.		
	Baptisms.	By Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Deaths.	By Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alpine	.....	1	....	....	....	....	7	15	22
Alum Springs	.....	....	....	....	....	....	9	14	23
Bethel	3	....	....	....	....	....	42	65	107
Beulah	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Beulahville	15	1	1	....	....	4	24	22	46
Beulah Chapel	4	3	....	....	....	....	13	20	33
Bear Marsh	.....	1	....	3	1	....	74	90	164
Boykin's Chapel	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Calypso	2	2	....	....	....	....	26	24	50
Cedar Fork	3	....	1	....	....	....	12	19	31
Centre	6	4	1	....	....	....	25	25	50
Clinton	.....	4	1	....	3	4	108	132	240
Concord	.....	1	....	....	1	....	18	34	52
Corinth	.....	....	....	3	2	4	93	98	191
Delway	9	....	....	....	....	6	30	30	60
Dobson's Chapel	1	....	2	1	2	1	40	40	80
Ebenezer	8	2	2	1	....	2	28	38	66
Faison	4	5	....	2	1	1	30	33	63
Hallsville	6	4	....	1	1	1	47	85	132
Island Creek	4	2	1	6	3	4	78	154	232
Johnson's	5	4	1	....	1	6	77	95	172
Kenansville	1	4	....	....	....	1	31	47	78
Lisbon	1	3	1	1	....	3	38	35	73
Magnolia	.....	2	1	1	7	....	48	116	164
Maple Hill	.....	....	....	6	....	4	30	31	61
Mount Gilead	11	1	2	2	1	6	68	84	152
Mount Olive	13	9	....	....	1	16	71	121	192
New Hope	3	4	2	1	1	11	64	91	155
Piney Grove	13	....	....	1	1	1	65	78	143
Poplar Grove	3	....	....	....	....	3	40	50	90
Rose Hill	7	14	....	1	1	....	45	53	98
Rowan	20	10	1	5	1	2	70	112	182
Sharon	.....	1	....	2	....	....	17	32	49
Siloam	6	1	....	....	1	2	59	63	122
Springvale	12	2	1	....	2	3	48	65	113
Turkey	11	13	....	....	....	....	24	25	49
Warsaw	17	13	1	....	....	6	89	135	224
Total	192	111	19	37	....	91	1588	2171	3759

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Students' Aid Fund.	Sunday School Missions.
Alpine	$ 1.25	$ 1.25	$ 1.25	$ 1.25	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00
Alum Springs	95.00	5.00	1.00	2.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	.....	.....
Bethel	30.00	8.00	8.00	.....	8.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	3.00
Beulah	.....	.....	.....	8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beulahville	5.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00
Beulah Chapel	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.50	2.50	1.00	.....	.....	.....
Bear Marsh	22.50	3.00	2.50	2.00	11.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Boykin's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calypso	30.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	2.50
Cedar Fork	1.25	2.25	2.25	2.00	1.00	1.00	50	.....	50
Centre	1.00	1.00	6.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....
Clinton	15.00	15.00	15.00	25.00	27.00	10.00	12.00	5.00	4.00
Concord	8.00	3.00	2.50	5.00	7.00	1.00	2.00	.....	1.00
Corinth	25.00	10.00	5.00	12.00	20.00	8.00	5.00	2.00	3.00
Delway	35.00	30.00	25.00	35.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00
Dobson's Chapel	25.00	2.50	3.00	8.00	5.00	2.50	2.00	2.50	1.00
Ebenezer	4.00	4.00	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00
Faison	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Hallsville	12.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	6.50	2.00	2.50	1.00	1.25
Island Creek	40.00	12.50	10.00	20.00	15.00	2.50	5.00	2.50	2.00
Johnson's	40.00	20.00	15.00	17.50	85.00	3.00	5.00	1.00	3.00
Kenansville	10.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	45.00	2.00	2.50	1.00	3.00
Lisbon	15.00	12.00	5.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Magnolia	20.00	10.00	7.50	10.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	.....	3.00
Maple Hill	2.50	2.50	2.50	3.00	6.00	2.00	2.00	.....	2.00
Mount Gilead	15.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	6.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	2.00
Mount Olive	75.00	35.00	30.00	65.00	150.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	5.00
New Hope	40.00	10.00	3.00	50.00	35.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Piney Grove	5.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.50	1.00	1.00
Poplar Grove	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Rose Hill	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00
Rowan	20.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00
Sharon	6.00	2.00	2.00	7.50	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Siloam	40.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	3.00
Springvale	10.00	2.00	2.50	5.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....
Turkey	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Warsaw	55.00	20.00	20.00	85.00	75.00	10.00	12.00	2.50	5.00
Total	735.00	298.50	253.50	483.25	680.50	120.50	103.00	62.50	72.25

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES.	No. of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	Baptisms.	Volumes in Library.
Alpine	O. P. Rogers, Kerr	1	4	44	28	12	$ 2.60	$	$ 1.00	60		
Alum Springs												
Bethel												
Beulah	F. J. Faison, Turkey	1	5	80	50	12						
Beulaville	J. G. Bostic, Beulaville	1	6	45	35	12				54	4	
Beulah Chapel		1	8	39	33	12				40	4	
Boykin's Chapel												
Bear Marsh	C. A. Byrd, Mount Olive	1	8	79	45	12	21.00			80		
Calypso	R. A. Parker, Calypso	1	8	77	49	12				113		
Clinton	J. H. Campen, Clinton	1	12	117	97	12	46.71	9.72	8.70	225		
Centre	C. I. Robinson, Clear Run	1	3	25	15	12				28	4	
Concord	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	1	5	34	22	12	2.50		1.00	22		
Corinth	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	1	10	136	118	12			3.00	130		
Cedar Fork		1	4	20	12	12					2	
Delway	W. J. Fryar, Delway	1	12	143	70	12	37.85		2.00	160	9	
Dobson's Chapel	J. W. Teachey, Rose Hill	1	6	50	20	12	4.00	2.50		40		
Ebenezer		1	6	30	25	12	14.47	7.31	2.75	47		
Faison	Paul Armstrong, Faison	1	7	78	45	12			10.00	75	1	
Hallsville	S. S. Bostic, Hallsville	1	6	60	20	12						
Island Creek	E. M. Teachey, Rose Hill	1	7	62	45	12			1.00	68		
Ivanhoe												
Johnson's	W. H. Middleton, Warsaw	2	15	173	129	12	58.73	60.00	7.14	228	4	
Kenansville	Thad. Jones, Kenansville	1	6	50	25	12	16.00	5.50		50	1	
Lisbon	D. L. Herring, Garland	1	5	37	20	12	5.00	6.05	13.06	45		40
Mount Olive	B. A. Summerlin, Mount Olive	1	10	145	91	12	93.74	146.03		125	11	
Mount Gilead	A. Peterson, Clinton	1	6	57	30	12				35	8	
Maple Hill	D. H. Marshburn, Maple Hill	1	6	29	25	12		3.05		40		
Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1	12	110	89	12	40.71	8.42	2.60	150		
New Hope	J. L. Carroll, C. E. Daniel, Turkey	2	5	70	60	12				95		
Piney Grove	J. C. Hobbs, Keener	2	7	52	35	9				20	13	
Poplar Grove	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	1	4	60	40	7					2	
Rose Hill	J. T. Vick, Rose Hill	1	7	110	60	12	21.25	9.60	1.00	180	3	
Rowan	S. T. Wallace, Moltonville	2	23	168	88	12	26.61	11.04	4.50	240	16	
Sharon	E. P. Blanchard, Sloan	1	5	50	30	9				50		
Siloam	A. A. Maynard, Kerr	1	8	158	75	12				67	6	
Springvale	A. F. Robinson, Ingold	1	3	60	35	9				50	7	
Turkey												
Warsaw	O. P. Middleton, Warsaw	1	9	125	87	12	58.45	60.00	8.25	240	15	
Total		37	248	2573	1647		449.62	329.22	65.00	2757	110	

APPENDIX.

Report on Woman's Work.

Your Committee begs leave to hand in this report prepared by Miss Macy Cox, Vice-President of the Woman's Missionary Union.

The first meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Eastern Association was held with the Magnolia Baptist Church, Thursday, Sept. 9, 1902.

Miss Macy Cox, Vice-President of the Union opened the meeting with devotional service and presided through the entire meeting.

Presidents from five Societies, three Band Leaders and fourteen delegates were present.

Ten ladies of the Associational Societies made short talks on the subjects previously assigned to them, and were ably assisted by Mrs. Hight C. Moore and Miss Elizabeth Briggs, of Raleigh; Rev. G. T. Watkins, of Goldsboro, and Rev. Braxton Craig, of Mount Olive.

The Vice-President called together a committee of two members from each Society, and Mrs. H. C. Moore advisor, to decide whether or not they should permanently meet separate from the regular Eastern Association. They unanimously voted in the affirmative.

Time and place of next meeting will be Thursday after the first Sunday in September, at Clinton.

The Union adopted the following Constitution:

Constitution.

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SOCIETIES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Bible Fund.	Expense Fund.	Training School.	Margaret Home.	Total.
Mount Olive W. M. S.	$....	$18.80	$18.00	$8.00	$ 4.00	$8.60	$...	$57.40
Warsaw W. M. S.	1.90	6.60	11.30	.....	1.00	70	....	21.50
Faison W. M. S.	2.00	2.00	10.00	.....	1.00	.....	....	15.00
Clinton W. M. S.	18.75	39.15	12.30	.....	20	.....	....	70.40
Kenansville W. M. S.	3.00	4.55	5.25	.....	1.55	.....	....	14.35
Magnolia W. M. S.	8.30	16.50	7.10	2.00	2.50	1.00	....	37.40
Rose Hill W. M. S.	.....	9.00	13.20	.....	1.55	.....	....	23.75
Maple Hill W. M. S.	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1.50
Warsaw Y. L. A.	3.00	3.00	5.60	.....	.....	.....	....	11.60
Warsaw Royal Ambassadors	2.23	2.23	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	4.46
Warsaw Sunbeams	6.50	9.25	10.15	2.50	2.50	3.00	....	33.90
Faison Sunbeams	50	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1.25
Clinton Sunbeams	1.25	2.45	70	1.00	.....	.....	....	5.40
Magnolia Sunbeams	6.00	12.85	15.00	7.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	43.85
Kenansville Sunbeams	1.00	2.48	.....	2.95	.....	.....	....	6.79
Rose Hill Sunbeams	50	1.18	.....	4.10	.....	.....	....	5.78
Total	56.43	130.79	108.60	27.55	14.30	15.30	1.00	354.33

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Officers of the Association.

Moderator—C. E. Daniel.....Turkey, N. C.
Clerk—A. R. Herring.....Delway, N. C.
Treasurer—C. M. Beach.....Delway, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, D. W. Fussell, W. H. Hagwood, J. R. Peterson.

MINISTERS:

J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandlin, J. M. Page, E. J. Harrell, J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, J. B. Newton, J. M. Alderman, D. S. Kennedy, E. L. Fox, B. F. DeLoatch, B. G. Early, Henry Carter, P. A. Anthony, A. C. Chaffin, J. M. Duncan.

MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION:

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CHURCH COVENANT:

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into Covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, Holiness and Comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the Ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior. We further agree to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible unite with some other Church, where we can carry out the Spirit of this Covenant and principles of God's Word.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a chairman pro tem, shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily session read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of the Association; and if any one shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The rules of order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Calling for Petitionary Letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Roll call of churches after report of each Special Committee.
11. Report of Treasurer.
12. Miscellaneous Business.
13. Incidental and routine Business shall be in order at any time.
14. Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

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are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference and Executive Committee.

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Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body, and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, That our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee, in order that said Committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the Churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character, and a Missionary sermon.

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PROCEEDINGS.

The sixty-seventh annual session of the Eastern Association met with the Bethel Baptist Church in Sampson County on Tuesday, October 4, 1910. Braxton Craig, the appointee, being absent, P. A. Anthony preached the Introductory sermon. Scripture used Romans 5:1. After which Moderator C. E. Daniel called the Association to order.

The roll of churches was called and a majority being present the Association proceeded to organize.

Upon motion, a committee on Finance was raised. Members, Maury Ward, D. T. Peterson, Lee Carlton.

By motion, Moderator appointed committee on Digest of Church Letters as follows: B. G. Early, J. M. Alderman, Erskin Williamson.

Moderator appointed C. M. Beach and C. L. Herring reading Clerks.

Moved by J. B. Newton, that reading of the church letters be dispensed with and that the reading Clerks be requested to read only the names of the Messengers.

Motion prevailed.

The roll of churches was called and the Messengers enrolled as follows:

Alpine—By letter.
Alum Springs—Gaston Kelly, Thomas Meredy, J. L. Kelly.
Bethel—A. G. Smith, Maury Ward, Elliot Johnson.
Beulah—Not represented.
Beulaville—J. G. Bostic.
Beulah Chapel—C. L. Herring, Erskin Williamson.
Bear Marsh—W. H. Brown, D. H. Fork.
Boykin's Chapel—Not represented.
Calypso—J. T. Albritton, F. M. Southerland.
Cedar Fork—By letter.
Center—G. M. Blackburn, E. C. Robinson, Sam Carter.
Clinton—D. T. Herring.
Concord—W. J. Matthews, J. T. Drew, E. H. Boon.
Corinth—J. L. Ward, J. J. Benton, I. D. Johnson.
Delway—W. J. Fryar, Willie Carter, C. A. Cook.
Dobson's Chapel—Newton Brock, Andrew Brown, Zack Jones.
Ebenezer—J. F. Carroll, J. D. Highsmith, A. R. Tatum.
Faison—By letter.
Hallsville—S. S. Bostic, J. D. Brown.
Island Creek—Willie Blanchard, O. A. Teachey.
Johnson—H. D. Middleton, J. A. Powell.
Kenansville—L. L. Jones, Coy Kennedy.
Lisbon—A. B. Kelly, A. R. Herring, M. R. Herring.
Magnolia—C. M. Middleton, H. M. Swinson, W. W. Cook.
Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn, W. J. Marshburn.
Mount Gilead—I. W. Powell, Arthur Peterson, Eugene Bryant.
Mount Olive—J. R. Bell, W. B. Hood, Thomas Summerlin.
New Hope—J. F. Williams, R. F. Pollock, J. H. Carlton.
Piney Grove—J. E. Boyette, L. L. Sanderson, G. B. Darden.
Poplar Grove—R. C. Bell, Claud Hatcher, L. D. Roper.
Rose Hill—P. C. Fussell.
Rowan—J. R. Peterson, E. T. Peterson, J. E. Britt.
Sharon—E. P. Blanchard.
Siloam—D. T. Johnson, A. F. Jones, A. A. Maynard.
Springvale—K. C. Robinson, T. J. H. Peterson, E. B. Matthis.
Turkey—W. J. West, E. T. Britt.
Warsaw—J. R. Wilson, D. L. Gavin.

Upon motion, the Constitution was suspended and A. R. Herring was requested to cast the ballot of the Association for C. E. Daniel for Moderator, which was done, and C. E. Daniel was declared Moderator of the Association.

Upon motion, the Constitution was suspended and J. B. Newton was requested to cast the ballot of the Association for A. R. Herring for Clerk, which was done and A. R. Herring was declared Clerk.

Upon motion, the Constitution was suspended, and J. M. Page was requested to cast the ballot of the Association for C. M. Beach for Treasurer, which was done and C. M. Beach was declared Treasurer.

Upon motion of J. M. Page, it was ordered that the petitionary letters be referred to the Committee on Digest of Church letters, which order prevailed.

Upon motion of B. G. Early, a committee of three was appointed on Place and Preachers for next session. Committee: C. M. Beach, Erskin Williamson, John Bell.

Upon motion, the following committees were appointed:

State Missions—B. G. Early, J. H. Peterson, E. C. Robinson.
Foreign Missions—E. J. Harrell, J. F. Williams, W. H. Brown.
Home Missions—J. H. Booth, I. D. Johnson, A. R. Tatum.
Orphanage—R. C. Sandlin,, D. T. Herring, J. T. Drew.
Woman's Work—W. B. Rivenbark, S. S. Bostic, A. B. Kelly.
Ministerial Education—J. M. Page, J. H. Carlton, Willie Blanchard.
Recorder—J. M. Alderman, F. F. Middleton, D. T. Johnson.
Sunday Schools—E. L. Middleton, J. R. Wilson, P. C. Fussell.
Baptist General Education—C. M. Beach, Thomas Summerlin, D. H. Marshburn.
Ministerial Relief—J. B. Newton, W. J. West, J. G. Bostic.
Obituaries—E. L. Fox, E. J. Marshburn, W. H. Brown.
Temperance—P. A. Anthony, B. Matthews, W. H. Middleton.

Upon motion, a committee was raised on order of business for this session. Committee: E. J. Harrell, J. B. Newton, B. Matthews.

Moved and carried that a recess be taken till 2 p. m.

J. M. Page pronounced the benediction.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m., Moderator called the Association to order. J. M. Kesler led the prayer.

The Committee on Order of Business made partial report as follows: 2 p. m., Miscellaneous Business; 2:15, Report on Recorder; 2:45, Orphanage; 3:15, Ministerial Relief; Adjournment.

This order was accepted.

J. M. Alderman asked that J. S. Farmer discuss the Recorder at this hour and that the report be submitted later.

The request was granted and J. S. Farmer and R. C. Sandlin spoke on the Recorder.

Report on the Orphanage was submitted and read by R. C. Sandlin.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

Twenty-five years ago the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage was established. Since that time twelve hundred children have been sheltered within its walls. Last year there was an average of 386. The cost per capita was $7.15—about $100.00 per day. The financial report for the year was very satisfactory, the first for years without report of debt. Since that time however, a four thousand dollar debt has been incurred. We have had a good crop on the farm. Special attention is given to trucking and the Orphanage dairy. Our

new industrial building is going up, and is now ready for the first floor timbers. This will enable the Orphanage to do what it never has done, give mechanical manual training. We have added a ninth grade to the work of the school and are striving to make every department of industry an item in its system of education. We call attention to the fact that the increased cost of living calls for larger contributions, "same as last year" will not pay next year's bills. We urge, first that every Sunday school take a collection once a month for the Orphanage. Second, That a club of "Charity and Children" be taken in every Sunday School if possible. Third, That Thanksgiving collection be taken in every church. If it is not convenient to take this offering on Thanksgiving day let it be on Sunday nearest to it.

R. C. SANDLIN, for Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by M. L. Kesler.
The report was adopted.
J. B. Newton submitted and read report on Ministerial Relief.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

This Board is located in Durham and has been in existence for twenty years. It aids ministers and their widows, who through toil for the Master and on account of age or disease are rendered helpless. There are thirty-five on the Board now. For several years our churches in the Eastern Association have been contributing a fraction over one hundred dollars to this Board. We are able to do better. Shall we do it?

J. B. NEWTON, for Committee.

Pending motion to adopt J. B. Newton spoke to the report.
The report was adopted.
The Committee on Order of Business submitted the following report for Wednesday and Thursday which was adopted: Wednesday—9:30 a. m., Devotional exercises; 10:00, Miscellaneous business; 10:15, report of Executive Committee; 10:45, report on State Missions; 11:30, report on Foreign Missions; 2 p. m., Miscellaneous business; 2:15, report on Home Missions; 2:45, report on Sunday Schools; 3:45, report on Woman's Work; Adjournment. Thursday—9:30, Devotional exercises; 10:00, report on Temperance; 10:30, report on Obituaries; 10:45, report on Ministerial Education; 11:15, report on General Education; 11:45, Miscellaneous business.
Upon motion, the Association adjourned till 9:30 Wednesday morning.
Benediction by P. A. Anthony.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

9:30, Devotional exercises, conducted by J. M. Page. 10:00, Moderator called the Association to order. Roll of delegates called. Proceedings of previous day were read and approved.
J. M. Alderman submitted and read report on the "Recorder".

REPORT ON THE RECORDER.

The "Recorder" has served our denomination for more than seventy-five years. It has only one object in view—to aid our people in doing a larger work. Your Committee recommends that our people prove the merit of the "Recorder" by subscribing to it. They are a good people but what they need is right information. When they know their duty they will gladly do it; but how are they to get the needed information? We recommend that our people press the claims of the "Recorder" upon those who do not take and read it. Our motto should be: "The 'Recorder' in every intelligent home in our borders." When that day arrives we will be able to solve our prob-

lem, and carry forward our work. The "Recorder" stands for all that advances the cause of the North Carolina Baptists, and we commend the "Recorder" to every home in our borders. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. ALDERMAN,
D. T. JOHNSON, Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator in behalf of the Association extended a hearty welcome to G. W. Green, Missionary to China.

The Moderator announced the committee to nominate an Executive Committee. Members are Gaston Kelly, H. M. Swinson, W. J. Fryar.

The Treasurer submitted his report as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from Finance Committee	$ 540.47
Received from collection (Minute Fund)	12.05
Received from collection (State Missions)	17.00
Received from all sources	$ 569.52

Disbursements:

Associational Missions	$ 218.79
State Missions	51.05
Home Missions	27.61
Foreign Missions	57.02
Gospel Missions	5.40
Sunday Schools	13.50
Students' Aid Fund	2.15
Ministerial Education	24.00
Ministerial Relief	25.79
Minute Fund	56.61
Orphanage	69.60
Braxton Craig, (State Mission Traveling Expenses)	17.00
J. M. Alderman (Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention)	1.00
Total disbursed	$ 569.52

C. M. BEACH, Treasurer.

Upon motion of J. M. Alderman the Treasurer's report was referred to an Auditing Committee.

Special order, the report of Executive Committee together with report on State Missions.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The work on our Mission field is moving forward. The work is promising of future success. Bro. B. G. Early has had charge of the work this year, serving the churches, Alum Springs, Beulaville, Cedar Fork and Sharon and preaching at some out stations as often as practicable. Through his labors there has been added to the churches by baptism 19, by letter 8, by restoration 1, total 28. He has raised on the field on salary $242.80, for Missions $114.58, for incidentals $49.60, for building $785.50, total $1,192.48. He has preached 140 sermons. The church house at Beulaville is enclosed and one service has been held in the new church.

C. E. DANIEL,
W. H. MIDDLETON,
D. W. FUSSELL,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
J. R. PETERSON, Committee.

Report on State Missions was read by B. G. Early.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The sun is the center of the solar system. The Cross is the center of the Christian religion. Missions is the center of religious activity. The Sun holds the heavenly bodies in their orbs. The Cross has clustered around it all that the Christian religion stands for, even so around Missions clusters all church activity. As we look at Missions in the different phases, under which we operate, we see the picture of a wheel with its three parts; the hub, the spokes, and the rim. The hub representing State Missions, the spokes Home Missions, the rim Foreign Missions, and as the strength of the wheel depends upon the strength of the hub, so the strength of all Mission operations depend very largely upon the strength of our State Mission work. From this hub go out the spokes that represent and support our Home Mission work, which in turn gives strength and impetus to world-wide missions. If this picture be a true one then it is evident that if we shall increase the strength and diameter of our mission work, we must enlarge and strengthen the hub, State Missions. At this time we have about 150 men engaged in part or entirely in our State work, a force entirely inadequate to meet the demand. Through the labors of these men the following was accomplished: Received by baptism 2,197; by letter 1,117; churches being built 41; churches organized 8; raised on the field $51,143.90.

At the last session of the State Convention it was agreed that we endeavor to raise $45,000 to prosecute this work during the present year. We as an Association are expected, and justly so, to raise our proportionate part of this amount, which will mean an increase upon what we have done this year. We, your Committee, recommend that the churches be requested and urged to increase their contributions to this work at least 20 per cent.

Church Building Fund.

The great need of a permanent church building fund has been paramount for a number of years, and the State Mission Board has requested that our Woman's Missionary Union devote their contributions for State Missions, into a Church building fund, and have asked them to raise $7,000.00 for this purpose this year. We most heartily endorse this movement and promise our support to the good women in their endeavors to raise this amount.

Respectfully submitted,

B. G. EARLY,
T. J. H. PETERSON,
K. C. ROBINSON, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, B. G. Early and J. M. Page spoke to the report of Executive Committee and E. L. Middleton spoke to report on State Missions. Just here an appeal was made for $150.00 for the Beulaville Church building fund which amount was raised, and the ceiling for the house.

Moved by P. A. Anthony, and carried, that the Executive Committee take under consideration the second man on the mission field.

The reports were adopted.

Upon motion of J. M. Alderman, an Auditing Committee was appointed. Members: M. R. Herring, W. B. Hood, D. L. Gavin.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by E. J. Harrell.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Many centuries before the "wise men saw His Star in the East", or the angels had announced His birth to the Shepherds, God had said through His prophets, "That Jesus should be a light unto the nations: To open the blind eyes, to lead them that sit in the shadow of death into the light and liberty of truth." The angel Simeon recognized in the infant Messiah the light of

all nations. John the Baptist was sent to bear witness of the light, and as prophet and teacher, he broke the silence of the centuries by announcing that the "Kingdom of heaven is at hand." While Jesus was on earth He confined His ministry chiefly to Israel as the prepared people, but He commissioned His disciples for all time to carry this light to earth's remotest bounds, promising to be with them even to the end of the age. And in obedience to this call Paul and Barnabas loosed the old ship of Zion from her moorings and sailed for distant shores.

The centuries since have witnessed the self-sacrificing and heroic efforts of the messengers of truth and salvation, until the transforming and uplifting power of the Cross is felt in every land. The outlook on the field was never more hopeful. Our Foreign Mission Board is operating in China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina. In all these fields the work is encouraging. Indeed, the fields are only awaiting more laborers to gather a greater harvest. 3,223 were baptized during the past year. Nearly 9 each day. In the Empire of China great changes and mighty reforms are taking place; and more than two hundred thousand Chinese now worship Jesus.

We now have four well equipped printing plants on the foreign fields, and these are scattering the truths in hundreds of thousands of gospel tracts, religious books and Bibles in the native languages. Among our 250 missionaries at work on these fields 13 of them are physicians as well as preachers, and they have treated about 45,000 patients, and also told them the story of Jesus. But the needs were never so great as now. Our churches have only begun to recognize their obligation to carry the gospel to a lost world. Pitiful is the cry that comes from every land for more laborers and better equipment. Of all the visions of the future, that of the world wide Kingdom of Jesus is the grandest and best. It expands the minds and hearts of Christians as nothing else does. In this work of giving the gospel to the lost, every church gets more than she gives.

Brethren, if this be so let us go forward. The 37 churches of this Association pledged last year only $483.00 for Foreign Missions, about 12 cents per member. We are every one under obligation to send the gospel or be sent. Let us pray more for our Missionaries and pay more into the Lord's treasury.

E. J. HARRELL, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt G. W. Green, Missionary to China, addressed the Association.

The report was adopted.

Upon motion a committee was raised to nominate delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions as follows: W. H. Middleton, Elliot Johnson, J. F. Williams.

Upon motion by J. B. Newton, a recess was taken until 2 p. m.

Benediction by J. S. Farmer.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m., the Association met. W. B. Rivenbark led in prayer. Moderator called the Association to order.

D. T. Peterson and D. F. Herring were given final leave of absence.

In the absence of D. S. Kennedy, E. L. Middleton was requested to prepare report on Sunday Schools.

J. B. Brown was granted final absence.

The committee to Nominate Delegates reported:

To State Convention—E. J. Harrell, J. H. Booth, Maury Ward.

To Southern Baptist Convention—J. M. Page. Alternate—B. F. Deloatch.

The report was adopted.

The Finance Committee submitted their report:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report the following amounts as having been sent to this Association with the Church letters, received into the hands of the Finance Committee and paid over to your Treasurer and his receipt taken for the same.

Associational Missions	$ 246.38
State Missions	28.75
Home Missions	14.25
Foreign Missions	20.01
Gospel Missions	8.16
Sunday School Missions	9.50
Students' Aid Fund	6.80
Orphanage	31.62
Ministerial Education	13.50
Minister's Relief	9.50
Minute Fund	51.42
Other Objects	1.17
Poor	1.17
Colleges and Schools	1.00
Total	$ 443.23

LEE CARLTON,
D. T. PETERSON, Committee.

The report as read was adopted.

Upon motion, the time for submitting reports on Sunday Schools and Home Missions exchange places so that report on Sunday Schools take place of Home Missions.

E. L. Middleton read the report on Sunday Schools.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No other denominational activity is more important than the Sunday School. It is now in a hopeful condition. It is growing and improving along all lines. We ought to recognize it as fundamental, for if its work is well done every department of church work will grow. We ought to stop dealing with the work in a sentimental way and get down to practical plans, earnest work, and efficient service. We therefore, recommend the following as our policy for next year in this Association:

1st. That our pastors, officers and leaders make a special effort to get more of our church members in the Sunday School. Further, That all our children and young people be reached.

2nd. That a Sunday School be organized in every Church and at such mission points as may need them, and that all keep open the whole year if possible.

3rd. That our schools co-operate with our Sunday School Board in its policies and that we use its periodicals.

4th. That we hold at one Union Meeting each year a Sunday School Convention using a part or all the time for such work. Further, That we try to hold one or more institutes for the training of our officers and teachers.

5th. That the Moderator appoint a committee to organize and lead in this work and co-operate with the State Committee and Secretary in this work.

6th. That our schools take at least one collection each year for Sunday School Missions as conducted by our Convention. COMMITTEE.

Pending motion to adopt, E. L. Middleton addressed the Association, after which the report was adopted.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg leave to report that we find the report of C. M. Beach, Treasurer, correct.

M. R. HERRING,
D. L. GAVIN,
B. B. HOOD, Committee.

This report with the Treasurer's report was adopted.
The report on Home Missions was read by J. H. Booth.

THE REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

According to the report made at the Southern Baptist Convention, the work of the Home Board far excelled the work of any previous year. It began its work with a debt of $14,909.00, enlarged its activities and reported at Baltimore out of debt with a small balance of $2,000.00.

The Board expended last year $63,502.00 to the work of building houses of worship and raised for the permanent Church Building Loan Fund $29,577.00. The present size of the Fund is $45,191.00. The apportionment for Home Missions adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention, aggregates $400,000.00. This is an advance of $56,000.00 over last year's work. Of this amount the Woman's Missionary Union is endeavoring to raise $95,000.00. North Carolina Baptists are asked to pay $26,000.00. The Eastern Association has pledged only $253.50. At the twenty-five mountain schools, there were last year about five thousand students. The expense of the Board in this department was $36,025.00. Two schools became self-supporting. We are glad to report that the expense of the administrative work of the Board including salaries of Secretaries, stenographers and office help, rents and office expenses was only four and one-half per cent. of the money raised for the work. There were 1,182 Missionaries maintained, wholly or in part, by the Board. Those missionaries baptized 27,426 people last year. This is nineteen per cent. of all baptisms in the South last year. In the evangelistic department there was no general evangelist for most of the year, yet there were 2,292 baptisms and 3,971 professions of conversion.

The Home Board has done a great work, but must do a greater work if it fulfills its mission. There comes to America about one million aliens every year, most of whom are pagans. We look for a greater influx of these; for when the Panama canal is completed the commerce of the world will bring polyglot multitudes together around the Gulf of Mexico. The Orient will come to the Occident, will have through the canal direct passage to the Atlantic gulf ports. The trend of immigration is turning toward New Orleans, Galveston, Tampa, and other seaport towns. What will we do with those emigrants? Will we go down and Christianize them? This we must do or it will be only a question of time before they will paganize us. Through the work of the Home Board Southern Baptists have an opportunity to do Foreign Mission work at home. If we cannot save the foreigners in our country, need we expect to Christianize the heathen in their country? A good work is being done East of the Mississippi river in aiding weak churches, in erecting houses of worship, in evangelizing foreign populations in the cities, in the mountain school work and in the co-operative work with the Home Mission Board of the Negro Baptist Convention at Nashville.

J. H. BOOTH,
A. R. TATUM,
I. D. JOHNSON, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, J. M. Alderman spoke to the report, after which the report was adopted.

The Committee to nominate an Executive Committee reported:

We recommend to the Association as members of the Executive Committee: C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, D. W. Fussell, W. H. Hagwood, Jno. R. Peterson.

The report was adopted.

Final leave of absence granted W. B. Hood.

B. G. Early submitted and read final report of J. L. Stewart of the Ministers' Relief Fund:

REPORT OF J. L. STEWART.

To the Eastern Association:

It will be seen by his report to the Eastern Association at its session (1908) that said Fund was indebted to him in the sum of $84.56. See Minutes, pages 33 and 34.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Association, that he receive the principal in full settlement of Notes 7 and 8, said principal has been received in full amounting to $179.25; deducing the amount above, $84.56; leaving a balance of $94.69.

This amount $94.69 has been paid to the Treasurer of the Relief Fund of the Baptist State Convention and a receipt taken in terms the same as the receipt set out in the Minutes pages 15 and 16, Session of 1907, which is herewith filed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. STEWART.

October, 1910.

Receipt.

Received of J. L. Stewart on account of the fund known as the Relief Fund for Aged Ministers of the Eastern Association, the sum of ninety-four and 69-100 dollars being the final balance of said fund remaining in his hand up to date of this receipt to be held and used by the Board for the relief of old and infirm Ministers of the Baptist State Convention under the agreement and understanding set out in the receipt of T. E. Cheek, Treasurer of said State Board, dated March 25th day, 1907.

Witness my hand this 16th day of March, 1910.

R. H. BIGSBEE,
Treasurer of said Board.
W. C. BARRETT, President.

This report was adopted.

Report on Woman's Work was read by W. B. Rivenbark.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The second annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Eastern Association was held with the Clinton Baptist Church, Thursday and Friday, September the 8th and 9th.

Rev. B. F. DeLoatch, pastor of the church, conducted the devotional service Thursday a. m., after which Miss Macy Cox, Associational Vice-President, took charge and presided through the entire meeting.

Presidents from five Woman's Missionary Societies, Six Sunbeam Band Leaders, and twenty-eight delegates were present.

Twenty ladies of the Societies, took part in the discussions and readings.

Revs. J. M. Page and R. C. Sandlin were much appreciated for their kind assistance.

Just before noon Thursday the Vice-President made the following report,

after which the congregation sang with deep feeling, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and were dismissed:

SOCIETIES.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Expense Fund.	Training School.	Bible Fund.	Margarett Home.	Totals.
Clinton W. M. S.	$17.60	$20.80	$62.65	$ 1.50	$ 2.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 106.55
Magnolia W. M. S.	11.85	14.85	17.95	3.25	1.00	2.85	1.00	52.75
Mount Olive W. M. S.	25.00	19.20	16.00	3.10	4.00	5.00	2.00	74.30
Corinth W. M. S.	1.70	2.30	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00
New Hope W. M. S.	1.20	10.81	2.52	55	.....	.....	.....	15.08
Rose Hill W. M. S.	9.00	6.00	9.00	2.00	1.00	6.15	1.00	34.15
Kenansville W. M. S.	14.40	12.10	7.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	38.50
Warsaw W. M. S.	9.15	12.00	14.00	1.35	2.00	2.00	2.50	43.00
Johnson's W. M. S.	.....	5.05	.....	2.30	.....	.....	.....	7.35
Maple Hill W. M. S.	3.77	2.25	.....	50	50	1.00	.....	8.02
Beulah W. M. S.	3.80	3.20	6.05	60	85	1.75	85	17.10
Faison W. M. S.	2.00	8.50	4.50	1.00	50	.....	.....	16.50
Rowan W. M. S.	2.75	6.37	5.92	2.10	1.00	2.00	1.00	21.14
Warsaw Y. W. A.	1.75	4.50	8.00	2.00	4.00	7.55	.....	20.25
Warsaw Sunbeam Band.	12.00	17.85	20.00	3.00	.....	6.00	6.00	64.85
Faison Sunbeam Band.	2.30	1.67	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.52
Rowan Sunbeam Band.	75	6.49	3.71	50	.....	9.38	2.55	23.38
Clinton Sunbeam Band.	1.85	5.15	2.85	50	.....	.....	50	10.85
Rose Hill Sunbeam Band.	6.00	2.00	2.28	.....	.....	.....	60	10.88
Kenansville Sunbeam Band.	2.00	3.45	70	.....	.....	2.30	1.00	9.45
Mount Olive Sunbeam Band.	60	2.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.85
Evergreen Sunbeam Band.	.....	.....	63	.....	.....	70	38	1.71
Johnson's Sunbeam Band.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.35	1.35
Magnolia Sunbeam Band.	12.30	15.20	16.50	1.50	2.00	7.55	3.00	58.05
Total	141.77	188.69	196.02	26.85	19.85	49.68	25.73	648.59

Increased this year $294.26. At the W. M. U. at Clinton $10.35 was raised for Associational expenses, which makes $658.94.

We have organized eight Societies this year; four W. M. S. and four Sunbeam Bands. We now have twelve W. M. S., one Y. W. A. and nine Sunbeam Bands, making twenty-two Societies with 702 members.

We have taken for our aim for Associational year 1910-1911, the sum of eight hundred dollars, and divide it as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 225.00
Home Missions	200.00
State Missions	185.00
Training School	25.00
To be divided between expense fund, Bible fund and Margaret Home,	165.00

Pending motion to adopt, W. B. Rivenbark discussed the report, which was adopted.

RESOLUTION BY E. J. HARRELL.

Whereas, our women are doing such splendid work in their Societies; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Association request our Associational Vice-President, as far as possible to hold meetings with our women in connection with our Union and Associational meetings at such place as may seem most fitting, that more of our women may be enlisted in the work.

E. J. HARRELL.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

Upon motion, by W. B. Rivenbark it was ordered that the Constitution of the Woman's Work be printed under the Constitution of the Association.

The Association adjourned until 9:30 a. m., Thursday.

J. E. Britt was granted final leave of absence.

Benediction by E. L. Fox.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional services conducted by G. W. Green.

The Association was called to order by Moderator.

Roll of delegates was called and corrected.

Proceedings of Wednesday's sessions were read, corrected, then approved.

The report on Temperance was read by P. A. Anthony.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

So vast and so rapid has been the growth of the Temperance sentiment in the State of North Carolina that "State wide prohibition" has become a fixed law, and its ultimate aim is the complete suppression of the whiskey traffic. Let us remember, that the mere passage of a specific law for a definite crime does not necessarily mean the absolute suppression of that crime. We have a law to prohibit murder, but some men will commit murder; we have a law to prohibit theft, but some people will violate that law. The best law on earth will sometimes be violated. But suppose we had no law to prohibit crime of any kind, what would be the results? Crime and vice would hold high carnival; homes, society and the government would go to pieces. It therefore, becomes the duty of every citizen of North Carolina, especially those of Baptist faith, to use their influence, not only to enforce the law, but to maintain the majesty of the law by abstaining from its use as a beverage.

Respectfully submitted,

P. A. ANTHONY,

W. H. MIDDLETON, Committee.

Pending the adoption, P. A. Anthony, E. J. Harrell and B. G. Early spoke to the report, which was then adopted.

Report on Obituaries was read by E. L. Fox.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

It is always sad to speak of those who have departed this life, but the Lord has been very gracious to us as an Association. Very few of our brethren if any have departed to the Spirit world during the Associational year. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

E. L. FOX, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, E. L. Fox addressed the Association and the report was adopted.

The delegates from Maple Hill were granted leave of absence.

The report on Ministerial Education was submitted and read by J. M. Page.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

An ideal minister must first be a man; second, a minister to be a man in the highest sense of the word, he must be educated, physically, intellectually, spiritually and morally. Such ministers are becoming more and more in demand. Most of the worthy young men who are called of God to meet this demand are those who need and must have financial help to educate themselves. To provide for this, we have a Board situated at Wake Forest, which is at the present time assisting more than sixty young men. We are also helping needy students in the Seminary. We recommend:

1st. That each pastor preach a sermon on this subject to each of his churches within the next year.

2nd. That we ask the Board of Education to appropriate all funds paid by the churches of the Eastern Association to the aid of such young men as do not use tobacco in any form.

3rd. That the Clerk be requested to send a copy of this report to the Secretary of the Board.

J. M. PAGE, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, J. M. Page and B. F. DeLoatch addressed the Association.

The report was adopted.

Report on Baptist General Education was submitted and read by C. M. Beach.

REPORT OF BAPTIST GENERAL EDUCATION.

Our people are coming more and more to see the importance of united denominational effort in the field of general education. As loyal citizens, we rejoice to see the State recognizing and striving to meet her obligation to give elementary education to every boy and girl in her borders. These efforts should receive the loyal support of all good citizens. Yet we find a vast field in the educational world that the State cannot occupy. The duty of training our boys and girls for broad influence and efficient service is upon us, and we cannot, if we would, evade the weight of this responsibility. The leaders who are to enter the open doors of opportunity in the future; the men and women who are to push to final success the evangelization of the world. Those who are to guide their people at home to higher Christian living and fuller Christian service must be trained for this work in our own Baptist schools. For higher education, we most heartily commend Wake Forest and Meredith College. With our prayers, our patronage, and our means let us make them yet more powerful for good. The alarm recently felt for the success and even the existence of our Baptist secondary schools is rapidly passing away. This phase of our denominational work is in better condition than ever before. Our schools have better equipment and largely increased enrollment for the present session.

We are glad to report that the present session of your own school at Delway is by far the best in its history. The present enrollment is 27 more than the total enrollment last year, representing 11 counties in this State, and two other States. The general character of the student body and the work being done are more satisfactory than in any former session. We have received subscriptions from churches and individuals sufficient to finish the building. These are payable between October 1st and April 1st. The payment of these subscriptions insures the payment of all existing indebtedness by the Trustees. May we not urge that the brethren and churches meet these obligations faithfully and promptly? Recognizing that in all denominational work the pastor holds the key to the situation. We solicit the continued support and co-operation of the pastors in the collection of these subscriptions and in securing the best class of patronage. We recognize God's hand in all the history of the school. We feel that it is His work. Following His guidance let us make the school a more powerful influence for good in His kingdom.

C. M. BEACH,
THOS. B. SUMMERLIN,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, C. M. Beach, J. M. Page, Professor Terrell of Meredith College, and P. A. Anthony addressed the Association.

The report was adopted.

Upon motion of J. M. Page, the roll of churches was called and pledges for the different objects of the Baptist State Convention were taken, which appear in table of pledges.

Upon motion the Moderator appointed the chairman of the following committees:

State Missions—J. M. Alderman.
Home Missions—B. G. Early.
Foreign Missions—P. A. Anthony.
Ministerial Education—R. C. Sandlin.
General Baptist Education—E. J. Harrell.
Recorder—W. B. Rivenbark.
Woman's Work—J. H. Booth.
Sunday Schools—C. M. Beach.
Orphanage—J. M. Page.
Minister's Relief—B. F. DeLoatch.
Temperance—J. B. Newton.
Obituaries—E. L. Fox.

Report on digest of church letters submitted and read by J. M. Alderman.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Number.	CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Number of Members.	Contributions.		Average per member		Permanent Improvements.	Sunday Schools.		
				Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.		No. Students Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from Schools
1	Alpine	...	21	$ 4.99	$ 11.00	$ 23	$ 51	$.....	52	16	....
2	Alum Springs	6	30	76.84	48.20	2.56	1.61	.....	....	....	....
3	Bethel	...	104	.....	83.91	.....	81	.....	....	....	....
4	Beulah	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
5	Beulaville	6	53	94.69	26.03	1.79	50	785.50	55	30	6
6	Beulah Chapel	...	36	66.50	9.00	1.85	25	.....	46	36	....
7	Bear Marsh	2	148	207.79	43.50	1.40	29	.....	72	45	....
8	Boykin's Chapel	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
9	Calypso	1	50	591.20	169.36	11.82	3.39	.....	82	41	....
10	Cedar Fork	1	34	14.75	10.50	45	33	.....	....	....	....
11	Center	2	50	42.00	40.00	84	80	.....	31	15	2
12	Clinton	16	251	671.90	297.55	2.68	1.18	903.54	159	93	13
13	Concord	...	52	86.50	27.50	1.66	51	.....	40	25	....
14	Corinth	9	173	300.50	98.50	1.74	57	.....	142	112	9
15	Delway	14	73	269.50	842.47	3.69	11.54	.....	160	72	14
16	Dobson's Chapel	...	74	101.50	49.00	1.37	66	.....	21	....	....
17	Ebenezer	5	76	124.07	22.96	1.63	30	.....	47	36	4
18	Faison	4	71	265.00	32.00	3.73	45	.....	40	30	....
19	Hallsville	4	131	177.00	33.25	1.35	25	.....	44	20	4
20	Island Creek	6	238	300.00	107.50	1.26	45	.....	44	35	3
21	Johnson	13	176	289.99	207.00	1.65	1.18	.....	74	40	10
22	Kenansville	...	77	209.00	137.00	2.71	1.78	.....	40	28	....
23	Lisbon	...	69	156.15	79.00	2.26	1.15	.....	42	16	....
24	Magnolia	7	178	295.16	219.21	1.66	1.23	380.25	143	98	7
25	Maple Hill	...	62	50.50	32.19	81	52	.....	41	20	....
26	Mount Gilead	...	146	158.10	54.00	1.08	37	.....	62	25	....
27	Mount Olive	8	192	940.60	364.50	4.89	1.90	.....	136	70	5
28	New Hope	18	167	233.00	405.58	1.40	2.42	.....	125	100	....
29	Piney Grove	1	136	107.00	21.50	79	16	.....	71	34	....
30	Poplar Grove	1	88	80.50	20.50	91	23	.....	59	30	....
31	Rose Hill	2	101	460.20	165.03	4.55	1.63	.....	161	60	2
32	Rowan	11	199	247.10	89.19	1.50	45	.....	143	57	6
33	Sharon	5	52	125.60	37.75	2.42	73	.....	110	42	5
34	Siloam	...	119	191.30	65.41	1.59	55	.....	165	53	....
35	Springvale	...	117	65.00	24.50	56	21	.....	52	35	....
36	Turkey	1	50	95.80	19.90	1.92	40	.....	46	25	....
37	Warsaw	2	227	715.45	459.48	3.15	2.02	170.50	134	81	....
	Total	145	3821	7835.18	3454.95	.....	.....	2239.79	2639	....	90

From the above Table of Digest we learn the following:

1st. There are five churches reporting on Sunday Schools.

2nd. Seventeen churches report collections in Sunday schools for the Orphanage with a total of $430.00.

3rd. Calypso, Mount Olive, Rose Hill and Delway report the largest average on running expenses. And Delway, Calypso, New Hope and Warsaw report the largest average on Mission Objects.

4th. That Delway and New Hope report a larger average for Missions than they do for running expenses.

Magnolia, Lisbon, Rowan, Dobson's Chapel and Sharon petitioned for the next session of the Association.

In view of the fact that Dobson's Chapel has repeatedly invited the Association, your Committee recommends that we accept the invitation from Dobson's Chapel for the next session.

B. G. EARLY,
J. M. ALDERMAN,
E. WILLIAMSON, Committee.

J. R. Peterson moved to divide the report so as to leave out the place. It was so ordered.

J. M. Alderman spoke to the report.

The report as changed was adopted.

The roll of churches was called to elect the place of meeting. Rowan having received a majority of the votes cast was declared the place.

Upon motion of W. B. Rivenbark, it was ordered that the money in the hands of the Treasurer not disposed of be turned over to the Executive Committee for the second man in the mission field.

Report of committee to nominate preachers for next session:

REPORT ON NOMINATION.

To preach Introductory Sermon—E. J. Harrell.
To preach Missionary Sermon—B. F. DeLoatch.

C. M. BEACH,
E. WILLIAMSON, Committee.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS BY B. G. EARLY.

Resolved, That this Association tender a vote of thanks to this church and community for the splendid entertainment we have received during this session.

B. G. EARLY.

This resolution was carried by a rising vote.

The business of this session being finished the Moderator turned over the closing exercises to G. W. Green, Missionary to China, who with fitting remarks and prayer closed this session, which adjourned to meet with the Rowan Baptist Church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1911.

C. E. DANIEL, Moderator.

A. R. HERRING, Clerk.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Sunday School Missions.	Poor.	Incidentals.	Other Objects.	Pastor's Salary.	Minute Fund.	Buildings and Repairs.	Students' Aid Fund.	Schools and Colleges.	Total.	Sunday School Expenses.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.
Alpine	$ 1.50	$ 1.50	$ 1.50	$ 1.50	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 50	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 10.50	$.....	$.....	...
Alum Springs	32.20	5.00	1.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	50	.....	.....	13.04	62.80	1.00	125.04	50	.....	150.08	.....	750.00	...
Bethel	32.61	9.00	9.00	11.00	9.00	4.50	4.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.19	.....	1.80	.....	86.10	.....	.....	...
Beulah	.....	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	50	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.85	.....	.....	.....
Beulahville	5.00	2.78	4.00	6.00	5.00	2.00	1.25	.....	.....	.....	21.00	60.85	1.00	785.50	.....	.....	894.38	.....	890.00	...
Beulah Chapel	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.50	2.50	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67.00	50	.....	.....	.....	76.50	.....	800.00	300
Bear Marsh	22.50	3.00	.....	2.00	11.00	3.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	30.54	150.00	2.25	110.00	.....	1.00	336.09	.....	600.00	...
Boykin's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Calypso	30.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	5.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	109.00	450.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	681.00	.....	3250.00	...
Cedar Fork	1.25	2.25	2.50	2.00	1.00	1.00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.25	50	.....	.....	.....	24.95	.....	700.00	...
Center	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	36.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	76.00	6.00	750.00	200
Clinton	15.00	34.20	87.35	50.95	58.65	10.00	16.70	10.08	.....	168.90	737.64	500.00	3.00	169.40	5.00	.....	1886.87	.....	6500.00	350
Concord	8.00	3.00	2.50	5.00	7.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	10.50	.....	75.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	118.00	.....	750.00	200
Corinth	25.00	10.00	5.00	12.00	20.00	8.00	5.00	3.00	10.00	.....	42.00	225.00	1.50	.....	2.00	.....	368.50	32.00	500.00	200
Delway	35.00	30.60	25.00	39.54	40.78	10.00	10.00	14.05	.....	28.00	39.50	200.00	2.00	.....	.....	637.50	1111.97	28.00	1500.00	500
Dobson's Chapel	25.00	2.50	3.00	8.00	5.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	100.00	1.50	.....	.....	.....	150.50	.....	600.00	350
Ebenezer	2.25	3.89	.....	2.25	6.46	.....	.....	5.44	2.67	3.32	.....	120.00	75	.....	.....	.....	147.03	.....	300.00	300
Faisons	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	65.00	200.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	298.00	.....	2000.00	400
Hallsville	12.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	6.50	2.00	2.50	1.25	.....	.....	1.00	150.00	2.00	20.00	.....	.....	205.25	.....	400.00	300
Island Creek	40.00	12.50	10.00	20.00	15.00	2.50	5.00	2.00	15.35	.....	62.00	225.00	2.00	.....	2.50	.....	413.85	11.00	1000.00	325
Johnson's	40.00	20.00	20.39	28.15	85.00	3.00	6.12	3.00	5.03	3.12	10.00	250.00	3.25	.....	.....	1.34	480.40	23.62	1000.00	300
Kenansville	10.00	17.40	.....	19.00	44.00	2.00	2.50	.....	.....	.....	2.00	200.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	197.90	.....	1000.00	400
Lisbon	15.00	12.00	5.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	5.66	150.00	1.50	.....	2.00	.....	225.16	.....	1200.00	400
Magnolia	20.08	52.57	45.15	33.05	28.96	5.00	5.00	16.40	10.00	.....	42.45	200.00	3.00	380.25	.....	3.00	844.91	52.71	3500.00	340
Maple Hill	2.50	2.50	2.50	3.50	7.67	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	74.67	.....	600.00	250
Mount Gilead	15.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	6.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	8.50	.....	50	.....	1.00	8.00	64.00	4.60	1000.00	400
Mount Olive	75.00	65.10	26.00	29.20	150.00	.....	10.00	.....	4.50	51.10	7.00	820.00	2.50	.....	.....	4.00	1247.40	65.00	2500.00	300
New Hope	40.00	15.00	3.00	40.00	57.50	5.00	5.00	3.00	.....	.....	33.00	200.00	1.00	405.50	3.00	190.00	1001.00	.....	500.00	300
Piney Grove	5.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.50	1.00	.....	.....	.....	100.00	1.00	.....	.....	1.00	127.50	.....	450.00	300
Poplar Grove	2.00	2.00	1.16	2.00	6.00	2.00	2.00	.....	1.17	.....	117.00	75.00	50	.....	.....	1.00	211.83	.....	400.00	300
Rose Hill	20.00	20.55	41.28	46.10	20.00	5.50	5.00	1.00	.....	17.00	123.20	300.00	2.00	50.00	5.50	.....	656.53	20.00	2500.00	400
Rowan	20.00	13.50	13.68	14.51	15.00	5.00	5.00	2.50	.....	68.64	18.53	200.00	2.00	.....	5.00	.....	383.32	21.81	500.00	300
Sharon	6.00	2.50	2.00	5.50	10.75	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	100.00	1.00	.....	.....	1.00	133.75	9.00	600.00	300
Siloam	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	35.41	6.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	175.00	1.50	.....	.....	.....	251.91	16.30	1200.00	800
Springvale	10.00	2.00	2.50	2.00	5.00	1.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	85.50	4.00	800.00	300
Turkey	1.75	1.00	1.25	2.00	7.91	2.75	1.00	.....	.....	.....	13.25	72.00	55	.....	2.25	.....	105.71	.....	800.00	300
Warsaw	55.00	26.50	20.00	150.00	30.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	159.95	20.00	500.00	1.50	1750.00	.....	75.00	2797.95	.....	4000.00	400
Total	641.14	419.34	380.26	516.25	758.09	107.25	119.42	76.22	82.72	510.53	1521.45	6637.90	47.49	3766.04	30.55	922.84	15918.86	294.04	40540.00	

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES, AND THEIR TIME OF HOLDING SERVICES.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	TIME OF MEETING.
Alpine	J. B. Newton, Salemburg	J. M. Hall, Kerr	
Alum Springs	B. G. Early, Hallsville	Joe L. Kelly, Kenansville	Fourth Sunday.
Bethel	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	Maury Ward, Rose Hill	Fourth Sunday.
Beulah		F. J. Faison, Turkey	
Beulaville	B. G. Early, Beulaville	W. M. Bishop, Beulaville	Third Sunday.
Beulah Chapel	B. F. DeLoatch, Clinton	C. L. Herring, Clinton	First Sunday.
Bear Marsh	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	E. H. Faulk, Mount Olive	Third Sunday.
Boykin's Chapel			
Calypso	P. A. Anthony, Mount Olive	Joe L. Dickson, Calypso	2nd and 4th Sunday.
Cedar Fork	B. G. Early, Beulaville	R. H. Sloan, Hallsville	Second Sunday.
Center	Henry Carter, Garland	A. J. Blackburn, Garland	Second Sunday.
Clinton	B. F. DeLoatch, Clinton	J. B. Faircloth, Clinton	1st and 3rd Sunday.
Concord	J. B. Newton, Salemburg	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	First Sunday.
Corinth	J. M. Alderman, Delway	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	Third Sunday.
Delway	J. M. Alderman, Delway	W. L. Beach, Delway	1st and 2nd Sunday.
Dobson's Chapel	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	Newton Brock, Kenansville	Second Sunday.
Ebenezer	W. C. Humphrey, Fayetteville	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersburg	Third Sunday.
Faisons	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	T. W. Smith, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Hallsville	B. G. Early Beulaville	J. J. Strickland, Hallsville	Third Sunday.
Island Creek	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	E. M. Teachey, Rose Hill	First Sunday.
Johnson's	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	L. Middleton, Warsaw	Third Sunday.
Kenansville	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	L. D. Dail, Kenansville	
Lisbon	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	M. R. Herring, Garland	First Sunday.
Magnolia	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	C. M. Middleton, Magnolia	First Sunday.
Maple Hill		J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	
Mount Gilead	J. M. Alderman, Delway	E. L. Croom, Clinton	Fourth Sunday.
Mount Olive	P. A. Anthony, Mount Olive	B. A. Summerlin, Mount Olive	1st and 3rd Sunday.
New Hope	E. J. Harrell, Warsaw	J. H. Carlton, Warsaw	First Sunday.
Piney Grove	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	C. E. Hair, Keener	Second Sunday.
Poplar Grove	J. M. Duncan, Clinton	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	Fourth Sunday.
Rose Hill	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	J. T. Vick, Rose Hill	Fourth Sunday.
Rowan	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	Everett Canady, Moltonville	Second Sunday.
Sharon	B. G. Early, Beulaville	E. P. Blanchard, Sloan	First Sunday.
Siloam	A. C. Chaffin, Kerr	W. B. Highsmith, Kerr	Third Sunday.
Springvale	R. C. Sandlin, Clinton	F. I. Robinson, Clinton	First Sunday.
Turkey	J. M. Page, Rose Hill	C. E. Shipp, Turkey	Second Sunday.
Warsaw	A. J. Harrell, Warsaw	F. C. Middleton, Warsaw	2nd and 4th Sunday.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.			Losses.			Membership.		
	Baptisms.	By Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Deaths.	By Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alpine	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	13	21
Alum Springs	6	1	....	....	....	....	12	18	30
Bethel	....	....	1	....	....	....	42	62	104
Beulah	1	....	....	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....
Beulaville	6	5	....	....	....	....	30	23	53
Beulah Chapel	....	1	....	....	....	1	14	22	36
Bear Marsh	2	....	....	....	3	5	60	88	148
Boykin's Chapel	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Calypso	1	....	....	....	....	1	27	23	50
Cedar Fork	1	2	....	1	....	....	15	19	34
Center	2	1	....	....	2	1	23	27	50
Clinton	16	7	....	....	1	4	112	139	251
Concord	....	2	....	....	2	1	18	34	52
Corinth	9	1	2	13	1	9	81	92	173
Delway	14	4	....	....	1	4	32	41	73
Dobson's Chapel	....	....	....	1	3	2	38	36	74
Ebenezer	5	4	....	1	....	....	31	45	76
Faisons	4	4	....	3	2	3	32	39	71
Hallsville	4	2	....	....	3	5	46	85	131
Island Creek	6	5	2	2	4	2	88	150	238
Johnson's	13	7	1	2	....	8	83	93	176
Kenansville	....	4	....	....	....	6	32	45	77
Lisbon	....	....	....	2	....	4	35	34	69
Magnolia	7	10	....	4	3	2	51	127	178
Maple Hill	....	....	....	....	....	....	31	31	62
Mount Gilead	....	....	....	....	3	2	63	83	146
Mount Olive	8	7	....	....	3	9	69	123	192
New Hope	18	2	1	1	2	6	75	92	167
Piney Grove	1	....	....	5	1	3	62	74	136
Poplar Grove	1	1	....	....	2	1	38	50	88
Rose Hill	2	9	....	1	....	3	46	55	101
Rowan	11	4	2	....	1	2	80	119	199
Sharon	5	1	1	1	....	3	20	32	52
Siloam	....	4	....	....	1	1	58	59	117
Springvale	....	1	....	....	....	....	52	65	117
Turkey	1	2	....	2	....	....	24	26	50
Warsaw	2	13	....	1	3	9	92	135	227
Total	146	104	10	40	41	98	1620	2199	3819

CHURCH PLEDGES.

Number.	CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associational Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Sunday School Missions.	Students' Aid Fund.	Total.
1	Alpine	$ 1.25	$ 1.25	$ 1.25	$ 2.50	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$ 12.25
2	Alum Springs	5.00	1.00	2.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	50	50	26.00
3	Bethel	8.00	8.00	7.00	36.00	8.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	77.00
4	Beulah	3.00	2.00	3.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	26.00
5	Beulahville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	Beulah Chapel	1.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	10.00
7	Bear Marsh	3.00	2.50	5.00	25.00	12.50	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	54.00
8	Boykin's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	Calypso	20.00	50.00	25.00	36.00	20.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	2.50	164.50
10	Cedar Fork	2.25	2.25	2.00	1.50	1.00	1.00	50	50	50	11.50
11	Center	1.00	6.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	19.00
12	Clinton	15.00	15.00	25.00	15.00	27.00	11.00	12.00	5.00	4.00	129.00
13	Concord	3.00	2.50	5.00	9.00	8.00	1.00	2.00	1.50	1.00	33.00
14	Corinth	12.00	10.00	12.00	30.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	111.00
15	Delway	30.00	25.00	35.00	50.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	200.00
16	Dobson's Chapel	2.00	2.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.50	33.50
17	Ebenezer	3.00	2.00	4.00	4.50	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	21.50
18	Faison	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	35.00
19	Hallsville	2.50	2.50	2.50	15.00	6.50	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.25	35.25
20	Island Creek	12.50	12.50	20.00	40.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	117.00
21	Johnson's	30.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	60.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	210.00
22	Kenansville	10.00	10.00	15.00	10.00	45.00	2.00	2.50	1.00	3.00	98.50
23	Lisbon	12.00	5.00	10.00	18.00	15.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	71.00
24	Magnolia	45.00	50.00	60.00	30.00	20.00	5.00	10.00	3.00	5.00	228.00
25	Maple Hill	2.50	2.50	3.00	2.50	6.00	2.00	2.00	.....	2.00	22.50
26	Mount Gilead	2.00	2.00	8.00	15.00	6.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	39.00
27	Mount Olive	35.00	30.00	65.00	90.00	150.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	405.00
28	New Hope	10.00	10.00	50.00	45.00	50.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	79.00
29	Piney Grove	5.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	26.00
30	Poplar Grove	4.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	21.00
31	Rose Hill	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	141.00
32	Rowan	10.00	12.00	12.50	30.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	96.50
33	Sharon	2.00	2.00	6.00	7.50	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	27.50
34	Siloam	5.00	5.00	5.00	40.00	12.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	77.00
35	Springvale	5.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	31.00
36	Turkey	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	6.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	15.00
37	Warsaw	20.00	20.00	85.00	60.00	75.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	285.00
	Total	353.00	361.00	554.75	737.50	703.00	121.00	102.00	80.00	76.25	2988.50

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES.	Number Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Quarterlies and Papers taken.	Baptisms.	Volumes in Library.
Alpine	O. P. Rogers, Kerr	1	5	47	16	12	$ 4.49	$.....	$ 1.00	....	....	....
Alum Springs		....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Bethel		....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Beulah	F. J. Faison, Turkey	1	4	65	45	12	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Beulaville	J. G. Bostic, Beulaville	1	6	49	30	12	11.84	1.00	.....	....	....	....
Beulah Chapel	C. L. Herring, Clinton	1	8	38	36	12	.....	.....	.....	48	....	....
Bear Marsh	C. A. Byrd, Mount Olive	1	8	72	45	12	25.00	11.68	.....	....	....	....
Boykin's Chapel		....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Calypso	R. A. Parker, Calypso	1	8	74	41	12	31.20	48.36	.....	....	....	....
Cedar Fork		....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Center	C. A. Robinson, Garland	1	3	28	15	12	.....	.....	.....	25	....	....
Clinton	H. L. Stewart, Clinton	1	13	146	93	12	.....	.....	.....	175	....	....
Concord	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	1	4	36	25	12	.....	.....	.....	20	....	....
Corinth	L. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	1	10	132	112	12	.....	.....	.....	130	....	....
Delway	W. J. Fryar, Delway	1	18	142	72	12	.....	.....	.....	176	14	....
Dobson's Chapel	A. J. Brinson, Magnolia	1	6	15	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	30	....	....
Ebenezer	J. L. Cashwell, Parkersburg	1	7	40	36	12	.....	.....	.....	40	....	....
Faisons	W. F. Powell, Faison	1	7	35	30	12	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Hallsville	S. S. Bostic, Hallsville	1	7	37	20	12	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....
Island Creek	E. M. Teachey, Rose Hill	1	7	37	35	12	.....	.....	.....	65	3	....
Johnson's	W. H. Middleton, Warsaw	1	7	67	40	12	.....	.....	.....	125	....	....
Kenansville	Thad. Jones, Kenansville	1	6	34	28	12	8.00	4.00	.....	....	....	....
Lisbon	D. L. Herring, Garland	1	5	37	16	12	4.00	10.09	9.34	....	....	....
Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1	13	130	98	12	.....	.....	.....	145	7	....
Maple Hill	D. H. Marshburn, Maple Hill	1	6	35	20	12	5.00	.....	.....	....	....	....
Mount Gilead	Arthur Peterson, Ingold	1	7	55	25	12	.....	.....	.....	50	....	....
Mount Olive	L. A. Byrd, Mount Olive	1	11	125	170	12	.....	.....	.....	244	....	....
New Hope	C. E. Daniel, Turkey	2	10	125	100	12	16.00	10.00	3.00	....	....	....
Piney Grove	J. C. Hobbs, Keener	1	7	64	34	9	6.00	.....	.....	....	....	....
Poplar Grove	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	1	6	58	30	6	5.00	.....	.....	....	....	....
Rose Hill	J. T. Vick, Rose Hill	1	7	154	60	12	.....	.....	.....	225	2	....
Rowan	J. R. Peterson, Clinton	1	11	132	57	12	.....	.....	.....	144	6	....
Sharon	G. Edwards, Chinquapin	1	7	103	42	9	.....	.....	.....	75	5	....
Siloam	A. A. Maynard, Kerr	1	7	158	53	12	.....	.....	.....	63	....	....
Springvale	F. I. Robinson, Clinton	1	7	45	35	9	.....	.....	.....	60	....	....
Turkey	C. E. Shipp, Turkey	1	6	40	25	12	10.00	7.91	.....	....	....	....
Warsaw	O. P. Middleton, Warsaw	1	9	125	81	12	54.00	6.00	.....	....	....	....
Total		34	253	2490	1565	.....	181.73	88.04	13.34	1840	37	....